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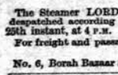
STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE MALABAR COAST, CEYLON, MADRAS, & CALCUTTA.



THE British India Steam Navigation Company (Limited), under contract with Government, despatch Steamers as follows, with Mails, Passengers, and Cargo, every fourteen days.

The Steam-ship MAHRATTA, 742 tons, 120 H. P., Commander A. Scott, will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 4th January 1870, at noon.

	Jan. 1870		Jan. 1870
Leave Bombay	4	Leave Galle	12
„ Cowar	5	„ Negapatam	14
„ Mangalore	6	„ Pondicherry	15
„ Cannanore	8	„ Madras	17
„ Calicut	8	„ Coconada	19
„ Beypore	9	„ Visagapatam	20
„ Cochin	9	„ Bimlipatam	20
„ Tuticorin	10	„ Chingleput	21
„ Colombo	11	„ False Point	22
		Arrive Calcutta	23

This route is the most expeditious and economical for Passengers for the Neilgherrie district, Bangalore, and Madras, when going inland at Calicut for Beypore, and proceed from thence by rail.

Passengers for Calcutta can take the same route, picking up the steamer at Madras.

No cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE PERSIAN GULF VIA KURRACHEE.

(Interchanging Cargo and Passengers at Bussorah, to and from Bagdad, with the Euphrates and Tigris Steam Navigation Company.)

THE British India Steam Navigation Company (Limited) under Mail Contract with Government, will despatch a Steamer every 14 days to the Persian Gulf, touching at Kurrachee, Gwadur, Muscat, Bunder Abbas, Lingah, Bushire, Fao, Mahomerah, and Bussorah.

The steam-ship MARTARAN, 742 tons, 120 H. P., Commander W. A. Hibbert, will be despatched on MONDAY, the 27th December, at noon.

Up.	Dec.	Down.	Jan. 1870
Leave Bombay	27	Leave Bussorah	14
„ Kurrachee	31	„ Fao	14
„ Gwadur ...Jan. 1870	1	„ Bushire	16
„ Muscat	4	„ Lingah	18
„ Bunder Abbas	6	„ Bunder Abbas	20
„ Lingah	7	„ Muscat	22
„ Bushire	10	„ Gwadur	24
„ Fao	11	„ Kurrachee	26
Arrive Bussorah	12	Arrives Bombay	29

N.B.—No cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH KURRACHEE.

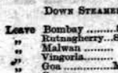
THE British India Steam Navigation Company (Limited), under Mail Contract with Government, and in connection with the Weekly Service from England, despatch a Steamer to Kurrachee every Monday at noon.

N.B.—No cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE MALABAR COAST.

Steamers LORD CLYDE, GENERAL HAVELOCK, GENERAL OUTRAM, TIGRIS.



ONE of the above Steamers will be despatched every week to and from the Malabar Coast, calling at the intermediate Ports on the following days :—

Down Steamers.		Up Steamers.	
Leave Bombay	Saturday.	Leave Cochin	Friday.
„ Ratnagherry	Sunday.	„ Beypore	Saturday.
„ Malwan	„	„ Calicut	„
„ Vingorla	„	„ Tellicherry	„
„ Goa	Monday.	„ Cannanore	„
„ Carwar	„	„ Mangalore	Sunday.
„ Compta	„	„ Mangalore	Monday.
„ Mangalore	Tuesday.	„ Carwar	„
„ Cannanore	Wednesday.	„ Goa	Tuesday.
„ Tellicherry	„	„ Vingorla	„
„ Calicut	„	„ Malwan	„
„ Beypore	„	„ Ratnagherry	Wednesday
Arrive Cochin	Thursday.	Arrive Bombay	Thursday.

The Steamer LORD CLYDE, Captain Kingcome, will be despatched according to the above table on SATURDAY, the 25th instant, at 4 P.M.

For freight and passage apply to

NOWROJEE BHICAJEE, Manager.

No. 6, Borah Bazaar Street, 20th December, 1869.

STEAM TO THE MALABAR COAST.

THE well known First Class Steamer PHLOX, E. Baker, Commander, will leave for the undernoted Ports, every FRIDAY, starting from the Apollo Bunder at 4 P.M.

Unjunwell, Ratnaghery, Jeytapoor, | Malwan, Vingorla, Goa, Panjim.

For Freight or Passage apply to NUSSERWANJEE KERSASJEE, Bazaar Gate Street, and for Charter to J. DIXON, Apollo Street.

NEW OVERLAND ROUTE VIA SUEZ CANAL.

LA COMPAGNIE MARSEILLAISE DE NAVIGATION A VAPEUR, MARC FRAISSINET PERE ET FILS.

THE S. S. ASIE, 1200 tons, and 250 H. P., Captain Lapierre, will leave for Marseilles (via Suez Canal) on the 25th December at two o'clock in the afternoon.

Passengers will embark from Apollo Bunder.

KUNKLER, PREISWERCK, & Co, Agents.

Elphinstone Circle, 22nd December 1869.

NEW OVERLAND ROUTE,
(via SUEZ CANAL.)

DIRECT SERVICE BETWEEN BOMBAY and MARSEILLES, touching at ADEN, SUEZ, ISMAILIA, PORT SAID, and MARSEILLES.

LA COMPAGNIE MARSEILLAISE DE NAVIGATION A VAPEUR.—MARC FRAISSINET PERE and FILS will DESPATCH STEAMERS MONTHLY from BOMBAY to MARSEILLES, via the SUEZ CANAL, thus dispensing with the necessity of transhipment of Goods and Passengers at Suez and Alexandria.

Freight.—The Company undertake to grant through Bills of Lading for Aden, Suez, Port Said, Alexandria, Malta, Marseilles, Genoa, Leghorn, Civita Vecchia, Naples, Barcelona, and other Continental Ports. They have also made arrangements to forward Cotton at a through rate from Bombay to the principal towns in France, Germany, Switzerland, Italy, Belgium, and Spain.

Shippers will have the option, on due notice being given, of detaining at Marseilles Cotton destined for other parts of the Continent; the Freight on same to be regulated at the average rate paid by the same Steamer.

Freight on Goods shipped to Europe to be payable at Marseilles in French money.

The undersigned are further prepared to receive Merchandize from up-country, and to forward same to any part of Europe.

INSURANCE may be effected on very moderate terms, under the Company's Floating Policy, on goods shipped by their own Steamers. Premiums of Insurance from Bombay to Marseilles ½ per cent.

PASSENGER RATES.

(Inclusive of Wines, and all Transit Fees through the Canal.)

	1st Class.	2nd Class.
To Aden	£ 25	£ 15
„ Suez	£ 40	£ 23-10
„ Port Said	£ 42	£ 24
„ Marseilles	£ 56	£ 36

Children over three and under ten years of age, half fare.

In accordance with the above, the Steam Ship ASIE, Captain Lapierre, will be despatched from Bombay the 25th December, and will be followed, at monthly intervals, by large and powerful steamers specially built for this service.

For further particulars, rates of Freight, &c., apply to

KUNKLER, PREISWERCK, & Co., Agents.

Elphinstone Circle, 16th December, 1869.

FOR LONDON.

(To sail by the end of February 1870, calling at Cannanore if sufficient inducement offer.)

MESSRS. GREEN'S favorite Passenger Ship the WINDSOR CASTLE, Tons 1250, Douglas, Commander. This fine Vessel has excellent accommodation for Passengers, and carries an experienced Surgeon. For particulars apply to

RITCHIE, STEUART, & Co.

Bombay, 29th November 1869.

EXCURSION by STEAMER DURING THIS SEASON.—The undersigned are prepared to LET their STEAM BOAT on HIRE, for the conveyance of Picnic Parties to Elephanta or any other places, either by a single trip or any fixed period as may be arranged.

The Steamer is well adapted for the accommodation of large parties, on moderate terms.

For further particulars apply to

M. B. COHEN & Co.

Victoria Buildings, Elphinstone Circle.

NOTICE.—Consignees of CARGO per ship CITY OF MADRAS, from Glasgow, are requested to SEND BOATS alongside at once to take delivery, otherwise the same will be landed by Captain Murray without further intimation, at the risk and expense of the consigned.

W. NICOL & Co.,
Agents of Captain and Owners.

Bombay, 20th December 1869.

SHIPPING.

OVERLAND FREIGHT ROUTE.

STEAM TO LIVERPOOL, LONDON, TRIESTE, MARSEILLES, BRINDISI, VENICE, NAPLES, LEGHORN, GENOA, BARCELONA, HAVRE, ADEN, AND SUEZ.

THE Bombay and Bengal Steam Ship Company, ⅛, under arrangements with other first class lines of Steamers from Alexandria, undertake to give through Bills of Lading for Goods via Egypt to the above and most other Continental Ports.

A limited number of passengers can be accommodated.

Rates of Fare.

To Suez—1st class £40, 2nd class £25. } Exclusive
To Trieste—1st class £53, 2nd class £34. } of Wines.

Passengers by or for our Steamers will be furnished with First-class Tickets between Alexandria and Marseilles by Messrs. Fraissinet & Co.'s line for £19; making the passage-money between Bombay and Marseilles £50, exclusive of transit in Egypt.

We have arranged our departures from Bombay so as to arrive immediately before the departure of Messrs. Fraissinet's Steamer from Alexandria and avoid delay to passengers. The Marseilles Boats leave Alexandria every Thursday morning.

Steamers will leave Bombay every alternate Monday.

For Freight or Passage apply to Messrs. Stephen, Kennard & Co., London; Messrs. Tod, Kennard & Co., Liverpool; Messrs. Tod, Rathbone & Co., Alexandria; Austrian Lloyd's Steam Navigation Company, Trieste and Venice; Messrs. Fraissinet Pere et Fils, Marseilles; and Messrs. R. Rubattino and Co., Genoa; or to the undersigned in Bombay.

The Steam-ship GUNGA, 1,200 Tons, Captain Child, will be despatched on MONDAY, the 10th January.

STEARNS, HOBART, & Co.

NOTICE.—Consignees of CARGO per Ship SIR WALTER SCOTT, Shaw, Master, from Liverpool, are requested to SEND OFF BOATS alongside the ship to receive delivery of their Goods, otherwise the same will be landed as they come to hand, at the risk and expense of the concerned.

Captain Shaw will not be responsible for the condition of any package after it leaves the ship's deck.

FINLAY, SCOTT, & Co.,
Agents Ship Sir Walter Scott.

Bombay, 22nd December 1869.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Now Ready,

BOMBAY GAZETTE OVERLAND SUMMARY.

The Bombay Gazette Overland Summary, prepared for despatch by each Overland Mail for Europe, contains, in addition to all the News of the Week, a specially-written Market and Freight Report, and a well-digested Summary of Events.

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The Bombay Price Current contains :—

A Specially-Written Market Report.
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Export Manifests of Vessels which have sailed during the fortnight.
Quotations of Imports and Exports, and Customs' Duties.
Comparative Summary of Exports from Bombay, up to date, as per Ships' Manifests, with the total Exports for the last twelve months, and for the same period as far back as 1858.
Comparative Summaries of Imports of Piece Goods and of Yarns from Bombay from Great Britain up to date, with the total for the three months and the same period as far back as 1860 and 1858 respectively.
Share List and Rates of Exchange.
List of Vessels in Bombay Harbour on the date of publication, and of arrivals and departures of Vessels during the fortnight.

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NOTICE to OVERLAND PASSENGERS.—Half Pints of CHAMPAGNE of the FINEST QUALITY, Extra Dry Double Stout Gold Neck.

PAYNE & Co.,
ELPHINSTONE CIRCLE, BOMBAY,
Immediately opposite the Custom House.

ST. XAVIER'S COLLEGE, ESPLANADE, BOMBAY.—STUDIES will be resumed in the College Buildings, Jan. 4th 1870: their object will be to prepare Candidates for the F. E. A. Examinations of 1870 and 1871.

In connection with the College will be an Upper and Lower School Division; the former including the V. and Matriculation Classes of St. Mary's Institution: the latter St. Xavier's Cavel School, which will reach up to the IV. Standard.

For particulars apply at the College or St. Mary's Institution.

MAZAGON LAND and RECLAMATION Co., Limited, (in liquidation.)—NOTICE is hereby given to all Shareholders in the abovenamed Company, that on and after the 31st day of DECEMBER instant, NO FURTHER TRANSFERS of SHARES WILL BE PERMITTED, as the Assets of the Company will from that date be transferred to the Mazagon Land Co., Limited. All Shareholders are requested to sign the Articles of Association of the Mazagon Land Co., Limited, which are lying at the Offices of Messrs. MANISTY and HURRELL, the Company's Solicitors, in Rampart Row. On production of a Certificate from the said Solicitors, stating that the Articles have been signed, Share Certificates in the Mazagon Land Co., Limited, will be issued in exchange for Share Certificates in the Mazagon Land and Reclamation Co., Limited.

JAMES DICKSON,
BYRAMJEE CURSETJEE, } Liquidators.

Elphinstone Circle, 23rd December 1869.

NOTICE.—To be SOLD by PUBLIC AUCTION, in H. M.'s Dockyard on MONDAY, the 3rd January, 1870, H. M.'s Steamer COROMANDEL, of 1,221 Tons and 250 Horse Power, as she stands on the day of sale.

Terms or Sale:—The Vessel will be put up by Auction at an upset price of Rupees (27,000) twenty-seven thousand, and the sale will not be considered final until the acceptance of the offer is sanctioned by Government; a Deposit of (10) ten per cent is to be immediately paid at the time of sale; and good security given by the Purchaser for the payment of the remainder, which must be paid within eight days after the acceptance of the offer by Government, or the deposit will be forfeited, and the Vessel resold for the benefit of the State.

W. T. CROCKETT, Lieut. late I. N.,
Acting Marine Storekeeper.

Marine Storekeeper's Office, Bombay, 22nd December 1869.

In the matter of Act XXVIII of 1865 of the Legislative Council of India, and in the matter of the Estate of FRANJEEVUNDASS DOOLUBDASS.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the SECOND and FINAL DIVIDEND, at the rate of (4) one-half per cent, will be PAYABLE at the Office of the Trustees, No. 10, Forbes Street, on and after the 2ND JANUARY 1870.

JOHN C. TEASDALE,
M. BOONAN,
MADORAO MOROJEE, } Trustees.

Bombay, 23rd December 1869.

IN the HIGH COURT of JUDICATURE at BOMBAY.—Ordinary Original Civil Jurisdiction.

In the matter of Act XXVIII of 1865 of the Legislative Council of India, and of the Estate of JAVERILALL UMIASHUNKER.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the FINAL ACCOUNT of the above Estate, and the Vouchers thereof, have been THIS DAY FILED in the Office of the Prothonotary of the High Court of Judicature at Bombay.—Dated this 23rd day of December 1869.

KEIR, PRESCOT & WINTER,
Attorneys for the Trustees.

ARTHUR CRAWFORD'S FRUIT MARKET, GRAND ENTRANCE, JUST AT THE BASE OF THE CLOCK TOWER, ESPLANADE.

GLASS WARE, CROCKERY & ELECTRO SILVER PLATED WARES of GREAT VARIETY.

NEW and EXCELLENT SUPPLY, ALWAYS IN HAND.

Dinner, Dessert, Breakfast and Tea sets of various Patterns and Colours; Sets of Cut and Plain Glassware of assorted Patterns; Plated Hanging Argand Lamps, from 1 to 8 Lights, Table Argand Lamps, Reading and other Lamps of every description; best Electro-plated Ware, such as Hotwater Curry Dishes, Sets of Dish Covers, Spoons and Forks of various Patterns in Mahogany Cases, Water Goblets of sizes:—Tea and Coffee Sets; Cruet, Pickle, and Liqueur Stands, with Cut Bottles; Table and Chamber Candlesticks; Ice Pitchers, &c., &c., &c.; Sets of Table Cutlery by Mappin and Rogers, Best Mahogany Toilet Glasses of sizes, assorted Musical Boxes; German silver single Horse Harness; Bridle and Parents' Canes; Railway Wrappers of Tweed, Brussels, and Hemp Carpets; Table Covers, Napkins, Towels, &c., &c., &c.

KHAN MAHOMED P.

Arthur Crawford's Fruit Market.

PERFUMERY, SCENT, &c.

Improved Seidlitz Powders, Violet Powder Puff, Scented assorted Hair Oil, superior Golden Oil, Rowland's Macassar Oil, Cod-liver Oil, Brandy Bitters, Orange Bitters, superior Sarsaparilla, Jamaica Pumatum, Cockle's Pills, Holloway's Pills, Holloway's Ointment, Improved Milk of Roses for the Skin, superior Cream, superior old Brown and White Windsor Soap and scented Bar Soaps, Essence of Peppermint, Essence of Ginger, superior Toilet Vinegar, Lavender Water, Eau de Cologne, Carbonate of Soda, Tartaric Acid, Pain Killer, Epsom Salts, Keating's Cough Lozenges, Worm Tablet, Bon Bon for children.

All Scents in great variety and of superior quality.

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Arthur Crawford's Fruit Market.

OILMAN-STORE MART.

I have JUST RECEIVED from England, a fresh and large quantity of OILMAN-STORE and PRESERVED PROVISIONS; the particulars are as follows :—

SOUP.—Hare, Oxtail, Mock Turtle, Hotch Potch, &c., &c.

JAMS and JELLIES—Containing every variety. Europe as well as Country.

FISH.—Salmon, Mackarel, Oysters, Lobsters, Fresh, kippered, and red Herrings, Sardines, Herring a la Sardine, &c., &c.

POTTED MEATS.—All sorts, such as Anchovy, Beef, Herring, Tongue, Salmon, Lobsters, Game, and in excellent condition.

PICKLES.—All sorts, such as Oriental, West India, Imperial Hot Mixed, Onion, Piccalilly, Walnuts, &c., &c.

SAUSAGES—Oxford, Bologna, Brunswick, Truffles, German, Lyons, &c., &c.

VEGETABLES.—Green Peas, French, English, and German, Asparagus, Stewed and Preserved Mushrooms, &c., &c.

BISCUITS.—Fancy Machine, Queen, Albert, Victoria, Mixed, Ginger Nut, Captain, Cracknel, Picnic, and several other varieties and qualities.

PREPARED JELLY.—In Bottles for Table use—Orange, Lemon, Punch, Noyeau, Vanilla, Calves' foot and Sheep-foot Jelly.

SYRUPS for ICES, &c.—Lemon, Orange, Raspberry, Pine Apple, Strawberry, Red and Black Currant, &c., &c.

SAUCES.—Vinegar, Mustard, Salad Oil, Currant, Olives, Capers, of every variety.

CHINA PRESERVES.—Ginger, Chow Chow, Cumcut, Pears, &c.

ESSUNCES.—Lemon, Vanilla, Almond, Celery, Ratafia, Nutmegs, Cinnamon, &c.

CHEESE, FRENCH BUTTER, BAOON—Fresh of choicest quality.

SUNDRY ARTICLES.—Cyr'ng'ed Fruit, Muscatel Raisins, Normandy Pippins, Orange, Lemon, and Mixed Peel, Plum Pudding Cossques, or Crackr, Bon Bons, Finest Isinglass, French Truffles, Table Salt, Caraway Seed, Honey in bottle, French Plum Candies, Sardine Knives, Dried Herbs, French Pate de foie Gras, Truffles, Dried Ox Tongues, Chocolate and Cocoa Milk, &c., &c., &c.

DIETS FOR INVALIDS.—Epps's Cocoa, Chocolate, Arrowroot, Tapioca, Sago, Barley, and Cornflour, &c., &c.

MACCARONI, VERMICELLI, SOUCH OATMEAL, CONFECTIONARY, LOAF SUGAR, SCENTS, &c., of every variety, extremely palatable and pleasant.

TEA, COFFEE and SUGAR, in great variety.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

PLEASURE SAILING during the CHRISTMAS and NEW YEAR'S HOLIDAYS.—The Steamers OORUN and NAGOTNA LEAVE Carnac Bunder DAILY for REWUS and DHURMTUR, at 8-0 A.M.
OORUN and OOLWA, at 8-30 A.M.

Both Steamers arriving in Bombay at about 4 P.M. Return Tickets will be issued during the Holidays for 1st and 2nd Class Passengers.

Bombay, 23rd December 1869. J. A. SHEPHERD.

GREAT INDIAN PENINSULA RAILWAY.—Tenders are invited for the RECONSTRUCTION of certain WORKS between BARSEE ROAD and SHOLAPORE.

The Specification, General Condition, Schedule of Prices and List of Works may be seen, and particulars ascertained, on application to the Deputy Chief Engineer, Fort, on and after the 2nd January 1870.

Tenders to be addressed to the undersigned, and endorsed "Tenders for Works between Barsee and Sholapore," not later than 15th January 1870.

The lowest Tender will not necessarily be accepted.

H. P. LaMESURIER, Agent.

Company's Offices, Elphinstone Circle, Bombay, 23rd December 1869.

FORT LIVERY STABLES.—Mr. RUSTOMJEE NUSSERWANJEE SETTNA begs to inform the Gentry of Bombay and Mofussil that he has lately PURCHASED the CARRIAGE HIRE BUSINESS of the Fort Livery Stables which formerly belonged to Mr. A. B. Boswell, Nesbit Lane, Fort, and hopes that the support and patronage which his well known predecessor received will be bestowed upon himself.

At present the Horses and Carriages are still in the same Stable, where orders, either for hire, sale, or purchase, will receive prompt attention. RUSTOMJEE NUSSERWANJEE SETTNA.

Bombay, 23rd December 1869.

NOTICE is hereby given, that SHREE JEEVUNLALLJEE MAHARAJ and SETT DAMOTHUR MADHOOJEE, of Bombay, Hindoo Inhabitants, have CONTRACTED to SELL all that piece of LAND, admeasuring 5,884 square yards, with the dwelling-houses standing thereon, situate at Kalbadevie Road, usually known by the name of Rutonsey Dharsey's Oark, and bounded on the east by the Kalbadevie Road, on the west by the property of Wittoba Mancojee, on the north by the houses of Ramdass Heerachund and Appajee Tromjee Chuvsan, and on the south by the properties of Hoonjee Chuttoor and others. All persons having any claim whatsoever against the said property, by way of mortgage, sale, inheritance or otherwise, are hereby required to make the same known, in writing, to the undersigned, at his Office, No. 11 Oak Lane, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the purchase will be completed without regard to any such claim.

JANARDHUN GOPALL, Attorney for the Purchaser.

Bombay, 23rd December 1869.

NOTICES.

THEATRE ROYAL, GRANT ROAD.

DAVE CARSON'S MINSTREL and DRAMATIC TROUPE.

TICKETS to be had at Messrs SOUNDY & Co.'s.

TO-NIGHT! TO-NIGHT!! TO-NIGHT!!!

Second Time this Season of the Glorious, Musical, Quizzical, Comical Burlesque of

ALADDIN,
OR
THE WONDERFUL SCAMP!
IN WHICH
DAVE CARSON
WILL APPEAR IN HIS
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OF THE
PARSEE and HINDOO.

MR. H. RICHARDSON,
IN HIS
ORIGINAL CARICATURE
OF THE
WIDOW TWANKAY.

MRS. H. RICHARDSON,
as that fast young Gent,
ALADDIN.

A GRAND MINSTREL ENTERTAINMENT.

Mons. Semeladis and Mrs. Dave Carson
IN A
MUSICAL MELANGE.

BY REQUEST,
DAVE CARSON
WILL REPEAT HIS ANGLO-INDIAN SONG,
KUTCHPERWANIE MARI JHAN.

In consequence of CHRISTMAS DAY falling on Saturday, THE ENTERTAINMENTS WILL TAKE PLACE
TO-MORROW (FRIDAY), Dec. 24,
NEXT PERFORMANCE
ON
MONDAY, 27TH DECEMBER, 1869,
WHEN THE
GRAND CHRISTMAS PANTOMIME
WILL BE PRODUCED.

N.B.—The use of Tobacco or Pán is strictly prohibited; plenty of room outside.

NOTICE.—The FARM of the Municipal special duty on TOBACCO and SNUFF will be put up to PUBLIC AUCTION on the 4th of January 1870, at the office of the Deputy Commissioner of Customs P. D., at 3 o'clock P.M. For further particulars apply to the undersigned.

N. DANIEL,
Deputy Commissioner of Customs, P. D.

Bombay Custom House, 22nd December 1869.

BY ORDER of GOVERNMENT.—FOR SALE, at the Presidency Pay Office, to Officers of the late Abyssinian Expedition, Stereoscopic views taken in Abyssinia by Doctor H. Cook, M.D. Each set, price Rs. 30-15, containing fifty-two slides.

D. B. YOUNG Major,
Presidency Paymaster.

Bombay, Presidency Pay Office, 21st December 1869.

NOTICE.—The undersigned have made arrangements to REPRESENT the following FIRMS in INDIA, viz. :—

Messrs. PLATT, BROTHERS & Co., Ld., Machinists, Oldham, Messrs. HICK, HARGREAVES & Co., Engineers, &c., Bolton, Messrs. DANIEL ADAMSON & Co., Boiler Makers, &c., Dukinfield, and are now prepared to EXECUTE ORDERS for every description of COTTON MACHINERY, ENGINES, BOILERS and MILL STORES.

GREAVES, COTTON, & Co.

Broach, 22nd November 1869.

NOTICE.—THE ALBERT LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY having SUSPENDED PAYMENT in accordance with a Telegram received from Head Office, London, PREMIA payable at this Branch will still CONTINUE to be RECEIVED by the undersigned, on behalf of the Provisional Liquidator authorized by the Court of Chancery to receive the same, but such Premia will be returned on 1st January 1870 should re-construction or arrangements with another Company be not carried out.

By order of Directors,
D. McL. SLATER, Secretary,
For Provisional Liquidator.

Bombay, 19th August, 1869.

NOTICE.—BANK of INDIA (in Liquidation).—NOTICE is hereby given, that a FOURTH DIVIDEND, at the rate of Rs. 3½ (Rupees Three and three quarters) per Share on the Old, and Rs. 2½ (Rupees Two and one quarter) per Share on the New Issue, will be paid to the Shareholders at the Registered Office of the Company, No. 12, Elphinstone Circle, on WEDNESDAY, the 29th instant, between the hours of 11 A.M., and 4 P.M., and on every following Wednesday during the same hours.

J. A. J. SHAW
BERAMJI NAOROSJI, } Liquidators.

No. 12, Elphinstone Circle, Bombay, 21st July, 1869.

BOMBAY, BARODA, & CENTRAL INDIA RAILWAY.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS.

RETURN TICKETS, 1st and 2nd Class, between all Stations issued on and after the 20th instant, will be available up to the 3rd proximo.

Private parties ought to make early application to under, signed to ensure sufficient carriage accommodation being provided.

J. R. DUXBURY, Traffic Manager.

Fort, 8th December 1869.

BOMBAY, BARODA, & CENTRAL INDIA RAILWAY.

OPENING OF NEW STATIONS.

On the 1st proximo, the BATWA, NOWLEY, BORRHARI, KHUMBALEE and SABURMUTTEE Stations will be opened—the four first for PASSENGERS only, the last for PASSENGERS and GOODS. Saburmuttee is situated upon the north bank of the Saburmutee River, three miles north of Ahmeda'ad; the others are situated between the Baroda and Wassund, Anund, Nerlad and Mehmoodabad Stations, respectively.

J. R. DUXBURY,
Traffic Manager.

Bombay, 23rd December 1869.

NOTICE.—SEALED TENDERS will be received by the Acting Marine Storekeeper, at the Bombay Dockyard, up to 12 o'clock of the 17th January 1870, for the SUPPLY by CONTRACTS specified in the SCHEDULE for one year, from 1st April 1870 to 31st March 1871.

Tenders to be superscribed "Tenders for the Supply of Miscellaneous Articles."

Tenders will not be received after the hour named.

Tenders must show a rate for each and every article comprised therein.

Parties may tender for one or as many complete classes as they please, but not for a portion of a class.

Each tender before being opened must be accompanied by the requisite deposit in cash.

Persons desirous of undertaking the Contract can obtain, on application at this Office, printed Forms of Tenders, Schedules of the Articles to be supplied, and any other information they may require in connection with the Contract.

W. T. CROCKETT, Lieut. late I. N.,
Acting Marine Storekeeper.

Marine Storekeeper's Office, Bombay, 11th December 1869.

NOTICES.

THE JERUSALEM NEWS ROOMS, Corner of Forbes Street, Rampart Row. Iced and Light Refreshments may be had on the Premises.

GENERAL BUSINESS HOUSE.

No. 1, Bell Lane, Fort, Bombay,

For LANDING and SHIPPING, LAW AGENCY, SCHEDULE of INSOLVENCY, ARBITRATION and COMMISSION.

FRANCIS AZEVEDO.

NOTICE.—The undermentioned Banks will be CLOSED for the CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS from FRIDAY, 24th, to WEDNESDAY, 29th December, (both days inclusive); also on SATURDAY, 1st January :—

For the Oriental Bank Corporation,
J. F. MOIR, Agent.
For the Chartered Mercantile Bank of I. L. and China,
ROBT. CAMPBELL, Agent.
For the Chartered Bank of India, Australia, and China,
JAMES DOUGLAS, Agent.
For the Comptoir D'Escompte de Paris,
E. J. HARDCASTLE, Manager.
For the National Bank of India (Limited),
JAMES WINDHAM, Manager.
For the Agra Bank (Limited),
EDWARD MORRISS, Manager.
For the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation,
E. STEVENSON, Agent.

Bombay, 6th December 1869.

ICES! ICES!! ICES!!!

JEWANJEE'S EXCHANGE.

Messrs. JEEWANJEE & Co. beg to intimate that they have arranged to have Superior ICE CREAMS and WATER ICE always ready at their Tiffin Rooms, at the corner of Meadow Street and Hummum Street, at 4 Annas a Glass.

JEWANJEE'S EXCHANGE.
(By JEWANJEE & Co., Proprietors Byculla Hotel).

Messrs. JEWANJEE & Co. beg to intimate that their FIRST CLASS TIFFIN and BILLIARD ROOMS in the commodious premises at the corner of Meadow Street and Hummum Street are open daily, and that Hot-chops, Steaks, and Oysters, &c., &c., are served up in a superior style, at a minute's notice.

The Billiard Room and ordinary Tiffin Room are on the ground floor, and on the first flat there are half a dozen nicely fitted up private rooms for tiffins.

A First class selection of WINES, SPIRITS, and BEER, &c.

JEWANJEE & Co.

TOONGAR HILL HOTEL.—Mr. PHILIP DE SOUZA, the Proprietor of the TOONGAR HILL HOTEL, begs to intimate to the LADIES and GENTLEMEN VISITORS that the above Hotel will be OPENED from the 20th instant. The Bungalow commands a very good view, and has spacious Rooms. His attention to the comfort of the Visitors, and the superior articles that will be supplied to them at moderate charges, the Proprietor expects to merit the patronage of the public.

PHILIP DE SOUZA.

Toongar Hill Hotel, 6th December 1869.

THE CHOWK HOTEL, MATHERAN.

Messrs. JEWANJEE & Co., the Proprietors of the CHOWK HOTEL, MATHERAN, in thanking Visitors for the very liberal patronage extended to the Hotel throughout last season, beg to intimate that they have now RE-OPENED the Hotel.

The Chowk Hotel is the highest bungalow on the hill, and is therefore well exposed to the breeze. There is a large Verandah, from which the view is very pleasing, and also an excellent Billiard Table. Attached to the Hotel is a fine range of Bedrooms, and the furnishing and thorough cleanliness maintained will, the Proprietors hope, continue to secure the comfort of Visitors and afford satisfaction. Care is taken to keep on stock a good supply of Wines, Spirits, &c., of the first quality.

Terms as before, Rs. 6 per day.

WINES, SPIRITS, BEER, &c.

CUTLER, PALMER, & Co., WINE MERCHANTS
TO
HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN
AND
HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS THE PRINCE OF WALES.

Established in Bombay in the Year 1842, in London and Bordeaux 1815.

CUTLER, PALMER, & Co. beg to draw attention to the following selection of their well known Wines and Spirits, fresh supplies of which have recently arrived :—

The Finest Dry CHAMPAGNES that can be shipped.

(Our own Brand.)

	Rs. as.	
MAGNUMS, finest dry .....(Labelled)	74	0
FINEST DRY Sparkling, gold foil "	Qts. 36	0
FINEST SPARKLING, silver foil "	" 32	0
GOOD SPARKLING, do. "	" 27	0

(Also in Pints at Rs. 18-8, Rs. 17-8, and Rs. 14-8.)

SPIRITS.

These are protected by Patent Trade Mark Capsules, and our original Heart-shaped Label.

	Rs. as.
COGNAC, Old Pale.....Black capsule	32 0
COGNAC, Superior Pale...Yellow capsule	28 0
COGNAC, Pale .....White capsule	25 0
OLD JAMAICA RUM	22 0
OLD TOM, GIN, 1st Quality	21 0
GENEVA (1 dozen Flasks in a case)	21 0
IRISH WHISKEY	28 0
SCOTCH WHISKEY	21 0

SHERRIES.

Specially selected for Tropical Consumption.

(Our own Brand.)

	Rs. as.
WHITE SEAL, an ordinary Dinner Wine	15 0
YELLOW SEAL, Pale and Dry, an excellent Dinner Wine	18 0
BROWN SEAL, very Pale Dry and delicate	22 0
BLUE SEAL, extra Pale Dry and delicate	22 0
GREEN SEAL, full bodied, light gold color, Nutty and Dry.	22 0
AMOROSO, very choice, full flavored, soft and Pale	28 0
AMONTILLADO, very choice and superior	32 0
EAST INDIA MADEIRA (one voyage)	33 0

PORTS.

(Our own Brand.)

	Qts. Rs. as.	Pts. Rs. as.
A 1—OLD CRUSTED, choice	36 0	
A 1—GOLD SEAL, an invalid's wine, full and fruity	30 0	
1st Qlty. BLACK SEAL, a Dessert wine, mature	24 0	14 0
2nd „ RED SEAL, a good wine	18 0	10 8

BORDEAUX.

(Our own Brand.)

	Qts. Rs. as.	Pts. Rs. as.
CHATEAU MOUTON...Gold capsule.....per doz.	30 0

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

CALCUTTA.—18TH DECEMBER, 1869.

The following transactions were reported to-day:—
In Government Securities:—
4 per cents., at Rs. 94-0 or 6-0 discount.
5½ per cents. at Rs. 112-12.
In shares:—
Port Canning Land Investment, &c., Co.'s shares, at Rs. 265 and 270.—*Englishman.*

MILITARY.

ARRIVALS.—DECEMBER 23.

Walker, Captain, 3rd King's Own Hussars, on leave, from Ahmednuggur.
Kelly, Captain, A. D. A. Quarter Master General, on duty, from Poona.
Chadwick, Major, 59th Regiment, on station leave, from Poona.
Clarke, Major, 59th Regiment, on station leave, from Poona.
Woodruffe, Lieutenant, 45th Native Infantry, on medical certificate, from Moultan.
Clifford, Mr., Acting Superintendent Army Schools, on duty, from Poona.
Brandt, Major, 103rd Regiment, on medical board, from Deolalee.
Price, Surgeon, 1-14th Regiment, in charge of invalids, from Meean Meer.
Tyrate, Lieutenant, 5th Fusiliers, on medical board, from Meean Meer.

DEPARTURES.—DECEMBER 23.

Dickens, Captain, 6th Regiment M. N. I., to Nagode.
Seton, Lieutenant, Staff Corps, on duty, to Deolalee.
Blanchard, Major, Bengal Invalid Establishment, on leave, to England.
Brandt, Major, 103rd Regiment, on medical board, to Deolalee.
Richton, Lieutenant-Colonel, Madras Staff Corps, to rejoin, to Kamptee.

ARMY GENERAL ORDERS.

By His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief.

Adjutant General's Office, Head Quarters, Poona, 22nd Dec. 1869.

The following transfers are ordered in the Subordinate Medical Department, British Troops Branch:—

Apothecary G. Cross (No 20) from general duty, Presidency, to 15th Hussars.

Assistant Apothecary G Prem (No 147), from 1st Battalion 2nd Foot, to general duty, Poona, 1st October 1869.

Apprentice J. Antone (675), from Indian Medical Department, to Colaba Sanitarium, temporarily.

Extra Assistant Apothecary Benganza, from Indian Medical Department, to D Battery 18th Brigade R A, vice Acting Assistant Apothecary Essoo.

The undermentioned officer has obtained leave of absence:—

Lieutenant J M Madden, 5th Regiment N I L, from 22nd December 1869 to 20th February 1870, to proceed to the Coast on medical certificate.

The leave on private affairs granted to Captain W Fleming, 95th Foot, in G G C No 838, 15th September last is cancelled, that officer having obtained leave on medical certificate.

His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief in India has been pleased to grant leave of absence as follows:—

98th Foot—Lieutenant P Shaw, from date of departure, for 15 months, to England, on private affairs.

GENERAL ORDERS BY THE GOVERNMENT OF BOMBAY.

(*Bombay Government Gazette*, Dec. 22.)

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

Colonel W. W. Taylor, Bombay Infantry, Commandant 5th Regt. N. I., is allowed furlough to Europe for one year, on medical certificate, under Rule 15 of the Furlough Regulations of 1868.

Conductor W. Lee, of the Commissariat Department, is promoted to the rank of Deputy Assistant Commissary, for his services in Abyssinia.

Consequent on the departure to Europe of Lieutenant G. E. Harris, Acting Deputy Assistant Commissary General, Second Class, the following arrangement is ordered in the Commissariat Department, to have effect from 27th November 1869. Major A. M. Shewell, Acting Sub-Assistant Commissary General, First Class, to be Acting Deputy Assistant Commissary General, Second Class.

The services of Captain J. Hoolbrooke Drummond, Bombay Staff Corps, have been placed at the disposal of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief.

Lieutenant John Grierson, and Lieutenant Charles Coombes Paul, of the Bombay Staff Corps, having completed twelve years' service, to be Captains from the 12th Dec. 1869, subject to Her Majesty's approval.

With reference to G. O. C. No. 995 of 23th October last, Acting Sub-Conductor William Kirkpatrick, Commissariat Department, will revert to Sergeant from the 18th idem.

Sergeant William Kirkpatrick, Commissariat Department, will act as Sub-Conductor from the 8th October 1868, vice Crowe, proceeded to England, on sick leave.

The furlough to Europe granted in G. O. No. 787, of 24th November 1869, to Captain H. F. Hancock, R. E., is for one year and fifty-nine days.

The leave on medical certificate to Sargeon Major J. R. Miller, Officiating Examiner of Medical Accounts, which was extended in G. G. O. No. 775 of 1869 to 18th instant, is further extended on the same account to the 31st idem.

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

Mr. A. Clarke Jervoise assumed charge of his duties as Acting Agent for His Excellency the Governor in the Punch Mahals, on the 16th instant, before office hours.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

William Forsyth Hamilton, Esquire, is appointed to be Sheriff of Bombay, in succession to Bhau Dajee, Esquire.

Rao Bahadoor Bhaskur Damodhur, Acting Fourth Judge of the Small Cause Court, Bombay, is allowed leave of absence for one month, on medical certificate, from 17th instant, under Section 11 and Clause 1 of Section 29 of the Uncovenanted Service Absentee Rules.

Mr. Khunderao Chimunrao Bedarkur to act as Fourth Judge of the Court of Small Causes, at Bombay, during the absence of Rao Bahadoor Bhasker Damodhur.

Mr. A. Rosanquet, Acting Judge and Session Judge of Tanna, is allowed privilege leave of absence for one month.

Under Act XIII. of 1859 the Right Honourable the Governor in Council is pleased to appoint Mr. G. R. Reid, Magistrate F. P. in the District of Poona, to exercise the powers vested in a Magistrate of Police by the said Act.

Mr. S. W. Tyndall, Second Class Deputy Collector and Magistrate F. P., at Hyderabad, performed the Magisterial duties of the Third Class Deputy Collector at that Station, in addition to his own, from 20th to 23th August 1869, both days inclusive.

Mr. W. Woodward, an Assistant Collector and a Magistrate F. P., in the Kaira District, is, so long as he is employed in that District, invested with powers under Section 412 of the Criminal Procedure Code, to hear appeals from decisions in Criminal cases tried in the Talookas under his revenue charge, by Officers exercising powers less than those of a Magistrate.

Azum Jaythalal Shivlal, Probationary Mamlutdar of Gogo, is invested with the powers of a Subordinate Magistrate of the Second Class in the Ahmedabad District.

Rao Saheb Bhaskur Bicrajee, Subordinate Judge 2nd Class, 3rd Grade, of Rajnagpoor, in the Ruttnagherry District, was absent from duty, on sick leave, from the 1st to 11th June last.

Rao Saheb Jamyutram Himutram and Khan Saheb Dinshawjee Pestonjee respectively delivered over and received charge of the Subordinate Judge's Court at Ahmedabad on the 15th instant.

Azum Luxmon Myral, Mamlutdar of Niphar, is invested with the powers of a Subordinate Magistrate of the First Class in the Nassick District.

Moonshee Purtabrai wulmJyehundrai, Kotwal of Kohistan, is invested with the powers of a Subordinate Magistrate of the Second Class in the Kurrachee District.

Mr. Khunderao C. Bedarkur assumed charge of his duties as Acting Fourth Judge of the Court of Small Causes, Bombay, on the 20th instant.

Gomdut Ool Mools Bahadoor Raghoonathrao Vittal Vinchoorkur, C.S.I., Chief of Vinchoor, is invested with the powers of a Magistrate in the Nassick District.

Mr. Madhowrao Vittal Vinchoorkur is invested with the powers of a Magistrate in the Nassick District.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

Mr. Choonilal Venilal held the appointment of Deputy Collector and Magistrate in the Second Grade from 18th August to 25th September 1869, both days inclusive.

The undermentioned Junior Civil Servants passed Examinations in the following languages on the 15th instant:—

Hindoostanee.

Mr. J. E. Murphy, with credit.
Mr. E. M. H. Fulton.

Marathi.

Mr. W. F. Sinclair.
Mr. H. F. Aston.

Guzeratee.

Mr. H. R. Cooke.

Mr. W. H. Havelock is confirmed in the appointment of Revenue and Police Commissioner, Southern Division, from the date of Mr. Hadow's resignation of that appointment.

Mr. J. W. Robertson is confirmed in the appointment of Collector and Magistrate of Tanna from the date of Mr. Hadow's resignation of the appointment of Revenue and Police Commissioner, Southern Division.

Mr. J. A. G. Duff to be Collector and Magistrate of Colaba.

Mr. W. R. Pratt to be Acting First Assistant to the Collector of Canara.

Mr. J. Hearn to be Hoozoor Deputy Collector of Tanna.

Mr. Cooverjee Cowasjee to be Hoozoor Deputy Collector of Sattara.

The following arrangements are made consequent on Mr. R. Pratt, Acting Second Class Assistant Commissioner of Customs, Salt, and Opium having been allowed fifteen months' sick leave from the 1st instant:—

Mr. T. Cotgrave to act for Mr. H. L. Wright as Second Class Assistant Commissioner of Customs, Salt, and Opium.

Mr. W. H. Payne to act for Mr. R. Pratt as Third Class Assistant Commissioner of Customs, Salt, and Opium.

Mr. Madowrao Canoba to act for Mr. W. H. Payne as Fourth Class Assistant Commissioner of Customs, Salt, and Opium.

Mr. A. Dalzell to act for Mr. Madowrao Canoba as Extra Assistant Commissioner of Customs, Salt, and Opium.

Mr. S. Hammick to be Supernumerary Assistant to the Collector of Nassick.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Captain C. Mant, R.E., is appointed Executive Engineer, Kolapoor.

Captain W. Manson, R.E., is appointed Executive Engineer, Kulladghee.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.
(*Irrigation Branch.*)

Mr. H. M. Thompson, Assistant Engineer, acted as Executive Engineer Biggaree Division, during the absence of Mr. Gregory on three months' privilege leave.

RAILWAY DEPARTMENT.

Major R. Cotgrave, R.E., and Major J. Bonus, R.E., respectively delivered over and received charge of the office of Deputy Consulting Engineer for Railways in Sind on the 16th instant, after office hours.

GENERAL ORDERS BY THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF IN INDIA.

Head Quarters, Cawnpore, 4th December 1869.

ADVANCES TO BUILD MESSES.

The Commander-in-Chief is pleased to notify that Government have ruled that the provisions of G. O. No. 16 of 1869, restricting the grant of advances to Officers desiring to build houses, is intended to apply equally to the case of messes.

DISCHARGES WITH IGNOMINY.

In continuation of G. O. No. 183 of 1859, the Commander-in-Chief desires that whenever a soldier, who is sentenced to be discharged the service with ignominy, has been enlisted in India, a report to this effect is invariably to accompany the copy of the charge, &c., and descriptive roll furnished to the Adjutant General.

Such men will not be sent to England, but will be discharged in India on completion of their term of imprisonment.

Care must be taken by Commanding Officers that their discharge papers are forwarded to ead Quarters for confirmation, one clear month before the termination of the imprisonment awarded.

When application is made for the discharge, as an incorrigible character of a soldier enlisted in India, the place of enlistment is in like manner to be reported.

COURTS MARTIAL.

Horse Guards' General Order No. 106 (Courts Martial), dated 1st October 1869, is re-published for general information and guidance:—

"When Courts Martial are re-assembled for the purpose of revising their finding, and when any alteration therein is made, it is absolutely necessary that the sentence in such revised finding shall be given afresh, and it is not sufficient for the Court to state that they adhere to their former sentence in such cases."

Great inconvenience has arisen in consequence of irregularities in this respect, and the attention of confirming Officers is especially called to the foregoing instructions.

GREAT COATS.

The following copy of a letter from the Secretary of State for India to the Governor General in Council, dated 9th July 1868, is published for information.

"The Secretary of State for War has informed me that the authorities at the Horse Guards have expressed their opinion that the arrangement recently agreed to, that new great coats should be issued to drafts proceeding to India, is undesirable, inasmuch as the recruit during the voyage is exposed to the force of the elements, and rendered for a time utterly helpless and incapable of taking care of any thing, and also perpetually in contact with salt water, tar, tallow and other greasy substances.

"I have therefore agreed that part-worn great coats should be taken by recruits on the outward voyage, care being had that the Officer commanding the draft should be furnished with a detailed statement shewing the period each coat has been worn, and the further wear required by the Regulations."

WARRANT OFFICERS UNDER ARREST.

The following letter from the Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department, to the Controller of Military Accounts, of the 29th November 1869, is published for general information.

"With reference to your letter No. 1184F, dated 30th September 1869, I am directed to acquaint you that a Warrant Officer under arrest, whose emoluments it has been decided by Government to reduce for the period of such arrest, should be allowed not warrant pay and allowances only, minus the staff pay proper of rank, which is all that can be escheated unless by decree of a competent court."

HORSES.

The sentence in Clause 1, G. O. No. 207 of 1869, regarding the shoeing of horses, from the words "The foot" to "required," is amended as follows:—

"The foot being quite free from any defects, it is only necessary to remove the old shoe, rasp an even bed for the new one, shortening the foot with the rasp to the desired length and a place for the clip being made with the point of the knife. The shoe fitted, nailed on, ends of nails twisted off, and the clenches battened down, no further use of the knife or rasp is required."

ADVANCES FOR QUARTERS.

It has been decided, under legal opinion, that the acknowledgment required under G. O. No. 258 dated 25th September 1868, by which an Officer holds himself liable to the deductions from pay which were made from the Officer from whom he has purchased a house in cantonments mortgaged to Government under the operation of para. 7 of G. G. O. No. 985, dated 15th October 1867, is, in legal effect, an obligation for the payment of the money, and consequently requires a bond stamp.

BOOKS.

Erratum.—In G. O. No. 388 of 1869, page 195, respecting the supply of Hindustani books to Regimental Schools after "Forbes' Manual" in the margin, insert "Forbes' Hindustani Grammar."

SHIPPING.

DAILY FREIGHT REPORT—23RD DECEMBER.

London	Cotton	22 5s. 0d. Nom. p. ton
	Cases	22 0s. 0d. to 22 5s. 0d. ,,
	Seeds	21 10s. 0d. ,,
	Iron Ships Cotton	21 10s. 0d. to 21 12s. 6d. ,,
Liverpool	Wooden Ships ,,	21 5s. 0d. ,,
	Myrabolns & Coir bdls	20 10s. 0d. to 20 12s. 6d. ,,
	Seeds	20 10s. 0d. to 21 0s. 0d. ,,
	Cotton	22 10s. 0d. Nominal.
Havre	Coffee	Nominal
Overland	Steamers	23 0s. 0d. to 23 10s. 0d. ,,
	Steamer Cotton	per bale.
China	Opium	Rs. 25 to 30 per chest.
	Sailing Ships	Nominal
Calcutta	Salt	Rs. 3 00 to 4 00 per ton.
Calcutta to Bombay		Rs. 13 to 14 and Calcutta Port Charges
Mauritius		8 annas per bag nominal.

ARRIVALS.

Dec.	Vessel.	Commander.	From.
23	Dacca (s)	Day	Kurrachee, Dec. 21.
	Taptee (s)	DeCosta	Porcbunder, Dec. 21.
	Timour	Spooner	Boston, Aug. 10.
	Princess Somawutty	Blake	London, Aug. 18.

DEPARTURES.

Dec.	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
23	Coimbatore	Houston	Rangoon.
	Istapa	Morrison	Malabar Coast & Cochin
	Princess Dagmar	Lewis	Rangoon.
	Glenfadden	Skinner	Calcutta.
	Malabar	Pearce	Colombo.
	Peerless	Flavin	Rangoon.
	Phlox	Baker	Malabar Coast & Goa

The following vessels obtained their port clearances yesterday:—

Ship Hipparchus, McIntyre, to Rangoon.
Schooner Mahi, Rasoda, to Colombo.
Steamer Ellora, Murray, to China.
Barque Belted Will, Hofman, to Cochin.

The following vessels began to load yesterday:—

Steamer Taptee, to Catch Mundvee.
Steamer Lord Clyde, to Cochin.
Ship Louise, to London, via Cochin.

BENGAL.

The Telegraph of December 16th has the following:—

ARRIVALS.—Ships Irwill, [B], Thomas Feran, Liverpool 21st August; and Syria, [B], E Cocch, London 24th August.

Particulars of vessel previously announced.—Ships John Elliott [B], T Griffiths, Liverpool 12th August; Cicero, [B], John Alexander, Liverpool 14th August; and Mahanada, [B], John Ainsworth, Liverpool 5th September.

DEPARTURES.—Ships Fazarbany, Marpesia, Nile and Barque Cognac.

The following is a list of passengers per s s Simla, sailing from Calcutta on the 21st instant:—

For Madras—Mrs Keernen, Mr Barron, and Mr Fleming.
For Sydney—Mr and Mrs Marrett and 2 infants.
For Melbourne—Private Wm Hyland.
For Suez—Mr Cowper Johnson, and Mr Beresford Hope.
For Marseilles—Mrs Geni Parsons and ayah, Capt and Mrs R Money and family, Moulvie Syed Ameer Ali and native man servant, Col and Mrs Holmes.
For Southampton—Mrs F W J Rees, child and infant, Captain E D Smith, Lieutenant T F Carlyon, Major G Guynne and Mrs Heman, child, and infant.

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

[FOR THE CHARGE FOR NOTIFYING A DOMESTIC OCCURRENCE IS ONE RUPEE, AND THE ANNOUNCEMENT MUST BE AUTHENTICATED.]

BOMBAY.

BIRTH.

CLARK—December 22nd, at Sea View, Upper Colaba, the wife of Captain A. C. Clark, prematurely, of a daughter.

DEATH.

CLARK—December 22nd, at Sea View, Upper Colaba, of convulsions, Mary, the infant daughter of Captain A. C. Clark.

BENGAL.

BIRTH.

McNAIR—December 11th, the wife of Lieutenant J. McNair, Adjutant, 11th Regiment N. I., of a son.

DEATH.

FLOOD—December 10th, at Sea, on board the Mongolia, Henry Edward, infant son of Major F. Solly Flood, aged 11 months.

MADRAS.

DEATH.

BICKLE—December 15th, at Madras, Henry Thomas, child of Gorge Bickle, Esq.

NOTICE.

All CHEQUES, MONEY ORDERS, and other Remittances sent to this office, should be made payable to the "Proprietor of the *Bombay Gazette*."

Bombay Gazette Office, Bombay.

The Bombay Gazette

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1869.

WHEN next the *Friend of India* publishes a list of Feudatory States we assume that Madras and Bombay will figure therein. The order of the procession formed on the landing of the Duke of Edinburgh is, of itself, full warrant for the adoption of that course. One consequence of the visit of the Captain of the Galatea is that the "prices of food in Calcutta have risen sixty per cent.;" another is that the two great Presidencies are placed in rank below the Native States of Jeypore and Gwalior. According to the published programme the Viceroy and his royal visitor will ride abreast, immediately after the soldiers and personal attendants; and these two native princes and two British rulers will form fours—it is to be hoped they will take care to dress properly—the posts of honour being accorded to the native gentlemen. The eloquent and saltatory Maharajah of Jeypore will ride on the right, the sensible and soldierlike Maharajah Scindiah will ride on the left, while the centre will be formed of those two inferior personages—Lord Napier and Sir Seymour Fitzgerald—who have been entrusted by the Queen with the Governorship of Madras and Bombay. When the Sir Edward Cust of the Vice regal Court was about it, why did he not give Rewah, Bhurtpore, Ulwur, Dholepore and Kuppoorthullah precedence over Mr. Grey, Sir Barnes Peacock, Sir William Mansfield and the Members of Council. What would the Master of the Ceremonies have done with the Rajah of Odeypore had he been present. Surely Holkar will lament that he was ill, and the Nawab of Bengal will tear his garments, when they learn that Governors and Lieutenant-Governors of British Presidencies might have been made to play second fiddle to them. The presence of Mr. Manockjee Cursetjee in front of Sir Barnes Peacock was alone required to make the exhibition complete. The East India Association will be quite justified in striking, to commemorate the event, a medal which they might appropriately dedicate to the Feudatory States of Madras and Bombay.

We should not notice these gilded bubbles on the stream of time were they not significant of the policy which is sapping the foundations of British power. We shall soon have literally nothing to trust to except the sabre and bayonet, the breech-loader and the rifled gun. The ceremonial arrangements at Calcutta are only of a piece with the modern tendency of the Supreme Government to lower the dignity and grind away the power of the local administrations. The object, at least the effect of the policy, is to reduce all to one dead level, and lead up to the establishment of a fatal uniformity throughout diversified India The *Pioneer*, in an able article, has just shown that the institution of Lieutenant-Governors is an expensive farce, and we have pointed out that the institution of Governors is only a farce more expensive. Our keen contemporary at Allahabad asserts with great force that it is the Members of Council who are Lieutenant-Governors, and we may add Governors also. Most appropriate is the following description of the position into which a greed for power in the highest quarters has reduced the Empire. "As matters stand now we have this ridiculous result—that those who have been promoted to govern are governed by men who are still awaiting promotion. We shall be told that Lieutenant-Governors *are* ex-officio Councillors. So they are—but merely in name. Look at the recent crisis. There is a deficit; huge reductions must be made: administrations must be utterly crippled. Never was there such an humiliating collapse. What does the Governor-General do? Does he telegraph to Sir Donald MacLeod to come to Simla? Is Sir William Muir sent for? or any other in high and responsible administrative authority? Not a bit of it. Lord Mayo sends for his Members of Council, who send for their Secretaries and Under-Secretaries. They are one and all men of great ability, and animated by the most exemplary public spirit. But they happen to be wholly irresponsible for local administration: and those who are responsible are not consulted. What is the result? The bureaucrats at Simla proceed to knock the Budget figures over like nine-pins or Aunt Sallies. This must go; that is absurd; here is a windfall;—and so on, and so on. The thing grows. Nothing more amusing than clipping what does not concern you. It becomes a mania. Epigrams are made about it. Simla society is convulsed, and demands more victims. A clever reduction makes a killing story. Bye-and-bye the 'ex-officio' Councillor—the man whose word yesterday, as a Member of Council, might have stood against the world, but who now, as Governor, finds none so poor to do him reverence—bye-and-bye *he* comes to hear of it. But woe betide him if he venture to raise his voice. He sees, in blank despair, that much of these so-called savings will cost the State an immediate and irreparable loss of thousands upon thousands of pounds. The little finger of an Under-Secretary is thicker, for the moment, than the loins of a Lieutenant-Governor, and the grey-beards go to the wall. But all this is surely wrong. Never has there been a better instance of the evil working of the illogical and impolitic system in force. To the Members of Council it must be invidious; to those who, being before them, are deferred in honour after them, humiliating and exasperating in the extreme. At a crisis like the present one, the heads of the various local Governments should have been summoned to their seats in Council. The alternative was to do away with them altogether, and make the Council responsible." Most assuredly. One thing or the other. If the present absorbing system is to continue, let puppets, who are not deemed fit to rank before Native Princes, be abolished, and let Chief Secretaries to the Supreme Government be appointed to execute the orders of the Council. That would be far preferable; for it would save cash, and the appearance would correspond with the reality. The Governors of Madras and Bombay are scarcely in better positions, have barely an iota more power than the Lieutenant-Governors, are as much under the thumb of the Members of Council and the Secretaries and Under-Secretaries who are "waiting for promotion." The ideas of these gentlemen who are not on the spot, not familiar with the exact state of works, or with pressing local needs, and not the ideas of those who possess local knowledge, are to be carried out, and are carried out. Take the example of centralized finance which we dwelt on the other day—the mode in which the Supreme Government have dealt with the Bombay budget. Would they listen to those who actually proposed to save more than the Secretaries and Under-Secretaries, provided a small sum, needed to put the finishing stroke to important works, were allowed to be expended? No. The power at a distance, working with paper, considered it knew better than the men actually face to face with the facts; Colonel Strachey had issued an ukase, and the infallible oracle must be obeyed. What a farce, under such circumstances, it is to preserve the mockery of a Government of Madras or Bombay.

We are glad to see that the *Pioneer* supports the "true remedy," one we have often advocated, namely, more power, more discretion, and more responsibility for the local Governments. Retain the absolute authority of the Governor-General, but leave to the subordinate rulers some power in local affairs. We are asked to put all our eggs in one basket—the buck-basket of the Supreme Government. To do so is to risk the Empire. The schemes for centralised financial management of all kinds cannot, in a country like India, lead to anything but weakness, the precursor of ruin, because we have no right to count upon the presence, in the Supreme Council chamber, of *many* men of genius; and none but the greatest administrators, perpetually renewed, could, from a central point, grasp the immense affairs of this Empire, and guide them with force and accuracy. Instead of snubbing our local rulers and reducing their power nearer and nearer to zero, and with their power their interest in the public service, true policy dictates that it should be strengthened up to the limit compatible with supremacy of the Viceroy. But under the present system they have less authority in their so-called territories than the Native Princes, who have been set above them in the solemn follies enacted at Calcutta. Are we to regard it as a new illustration of the old, saying— *Quem Deus—?*

WE have heard, but cannot vouch for the truth of the report, that a telegram has been received notifying the good news that the Duke of Edinburgh will not visit Bombay.

ON Monday last Sir Richard Temple was to receive a deputation from the Calcutta Chamber of Commerce, to discuss the question of export duties on rice.

MR. BRIGHAM YOUNG has enjoyed a new revelation. According to a New York paper, he recently announced that there had been "revealed" to him the necessity of withdrawing the sum of dlrs 25,000,000, now safe in the Bank of England, and removing with the whole community to the Sandwich Islands. "But the people did not respond cordially, and he has given up the idea."

WE learn from the Calcutta press that the Government of India has declined to delegate to the Judges of the High Courts the power lately conferred on local Governments of granting acting allowances to those who act in uncovenanted appointments during the absence of the incumbents. The privilege is to be reserved to the local Governments, to which, in this matter, the High Courts will refer.

THE Secretary of State for India, in a despatch to the Governor General, dated 27th September 1869, intimates that "having referred to the War Office the question raised as to the grant of free passage to an officer who may exchange under special circumstances with one serving in India, I have been informed that if an officer when abroad is promoted to a battalion of the same regiment at home, and exchanges so as to admit of his remaining at the same station, the officer who comes home in his place is allowed a free passage, as no additional expense is thrown on the public by such an arrangement."

THE "Englishman" understands that "Colonel Wright, commanding the 11th (or Probyn's) Cavalry, is about to proceed to England. In this case the officiating command will devolve upon Captain Dick, an officer who has served with the corps, and with marked distinction, since it was raised. Captain Dick won a Victoria Cross years ago, as Colonel Probyn, C. B., V. C., can testify, albeit owing to excessive modesty and a manly dislike to blow his own trumpet, he does not wear a decoration worn by many for lesser deeds. The one flaw in Captain Dick's title to the officiating command is—that he is not yet from forty to forty-five years of age. Is the crime unpardonable?"

THE "Madras Athenæum" says—"The non-appointment, by the Duke of Argyll, of a Member of Council in succession to the Honourable Mr. Phillips, is certainly most inexplicable, unless we are to suppose either that His Grace has resolved to abolish the office, or that Mr. J. D. Sim being the Councillor elect no immediate necessity exists for announcing the fact owing to that gentleman's absence on leave. Indeed we have heard that the latter is the case, and that Mr. Sim actually holds the appointment in his pocket; while, should inconvenience arise from the want of a Councillor, the local Government is vested with the power of appointing one *pro tem.*"

LANDING OF THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH AT CALCUTTA.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

CALCUTTA, 23RD DECEMBER, 8-50 A.M.

H. M. S. GALATEA arrived at Prinsep's Ghaut yesterday evening.

H. R. H. the Duke of Edinburgh immediately landed under a royal salute. Processions were then formed in the following order:—The Viceroy, the Duke of Edinburgh, the Governors and the Lieutenant Governors, the Commander-in-Chief, the Members of the Council, the Principal Native Chiefs and the Civil and Military Officers on horseback; the Countess Mayo, Lady Napier and other ladies and gentlemen in five carriages; divisions of the Bengal Cavalry and Artillery preceded and followed the procession as a bodyguard. The Volunteers formed a guard of honour to receive His Royal Highness on landing. The reception was grand and imposing. Large numbers of all classes were present to witness the reception. The crowd of natives was immense, lining the road from Prinsep's Ghaut to Government House. About sixty elephants, belonging to the Native Chiefs, were assembled in the grounds of Government House. All the ships were dressed with flags. All the arrangements were perfect, and no accident has been reported.

The Viceroy's party with the Duke of Edinburgh attended the Opera in state last night.

PASSENGERS BY THE HOMEWARD MAIL.

THE P. & O. Co.'s steamer Goloconda, Captain C. J. Wilkinson, will sail to-day, for Aden and Suez, with the following passengers:—

For Southampton—Mrs Fitzgerald and child, Mr Gee, Mr Richard, Mr J Soy, Mr Nicholas, Mrs Warner and two infants, Mr W Longridge.

For Marseilles—Colonel Taylor, Mrs General Taylor and infant, Mr A W Rusden, Mr Nash.

For Malta—Mr G Modlin.

For Suez—Mr and Mrs W Wright, Mr D A Hume, Mr P H Van Cortland.

THE CALCUTTA RACES.

YESTERDAY we published in a brief form the results of the first day's races at Calcutta, which came off on the 18th instant.

The *Indian Daily News* in its report of the events says "A large number, amongst them the Commander-in-Chief, occupied the platform erected by Mr. Lewis to the north. Natives mustered largely; and patches of coloured silks and gold indicated the presence of several Rajahs. Scindiah took up a position in the crowd opposite the Stand, but was subsequently invited to enter the Stand enclosure. He had a miserable pair of horses attached to his barouche which halted at the entrance, and one of the burliest of the stewards applied his hands to the wheels. There was a general titter above and below, but Scindiah chatted on as composedly as if nothing had occurred. The Viceregal party, accommodated in five carriages, drove up the Course at about eight, and the Viceroy, as he alighted, received a hearty cheer. Lord Napier and Sir Seymour Fitzgerald were of the party; the former and his suite evincing considerable interest in the luck of Melbourne, the Madras horse. Seventeen Arabs came to the post for the Derby—a large number for Calcutta—and a pretty race ensued, Akbar winning. In the third race it was regarded as certain that Rocket, ridden by Dignum, would cut Melbourne, but the Madras horse won, and a considerable sum of money has changed hands."

The first race—the Trial Stakes—calls for no special notice, but the second was an important event. Here are the conditions, names, and weights:—

SECOND RACE.—The Derby Stakes of Rs. 1,200 from the Fund. For Maiden Arabs. 2 miles weight for age. Horses that have never started before the day of naming allowed 3lbs. And a Sweepstake of Rs. 160 for all Horses declared to start; if 30 entrances, the 2nd Horse to receive Rs. 500.

		st.	lb.		
Mr A Stewart's	Akbar	9	0		1
Mr Raphel's	Rising Star	8	8	Irvine	2
Mr Field's	Long Hope	8	0		3
Queen's Own	Eclipse	9	0	Quadjee	
Queen's Own	Guzlan	9	0	Khudabux	
Mr W W's	Cyclone	9	0	Dignum	
Hon'ble H L Wood's	Parell	9	0	Fleming	
H H the Maharajah of Vizianagram's	Copenhagen	9	0	Tingey	
Mr Manchester's	Hermit	9	0	Rowe	
Mr Bremen's	Goldfinch	8	9	Mr Scott	
Mr Black's	Rapier	8	9	Keates	
Mr Pr...t's	Scimitar Secundus	8	9	Auckland	
H H Aga Khan's	Sirmust	8	4	Brewty	
Hon'ble H L Wood's	Byculla	8	1	Hackney	
Colonel R's	The Rake	7	1	Jaffir	
H H Aga Khan's	Baber Ali	8	1	Gooch	
Mr Lane's	RavelFedowa	9	0		

From a private source we have received the following account of this race:—

"Seventeen started for the Derby, and it really was one of the finest races I have ever seen. They got off at the second attempt, Sirmust with a slight advantage; but Parell, making the running for Byculla, was soon in front and led past the stand, followed by Sirmust, Rising Star, Akbar, Long Hope, Eclipse, and Byculla all in a cluster. Then came Cyclone, Scimitar Secundus, Baber Ali, Ravel Fedowa, and The Rake,—Guzlan, Copenhagen, Hermit, and Rapier coming next, and Goldfinch the absolute last, and thus early out of the race. This order was maintained for three quarters of a mile, or nearly so, when Parell was done with and dropped back beaten. Baber Ali had improved his position, and with Akbar, Rising Star, and Eclipse formed the leading division; close behind them were Long Hope, Cyclone, and Ravel Fedowa. The 'tail' having already commenced, at the mile post Sirmust, who had been running all though very badly, was out of it, and there appeared only five left in the race, viz., Akbar (who nearly overpowered his rider), Rising Star, Cyclone (who ran very well), Long Hope (also pulling double), and Byculla. At the turn for home, Byculla was beaten and also Cyclone, and Donaldson took his place alongside Rising Star. At the distance, Akbar, full of running, came out and won cleverly, if not easily, by a length and a half, Long Hope being beaten by about the same distance for second place. Byculla was fourth, five or six lengths off, with Baber Ali, Cyclone, and Eclipse in a cluster in rear of him all dead beat. Time of the race—first mile, 1m. 58½s.; last mile, 1m. 56½s.; total distance, two miles, in 3m. 54½ secs.—the fastest Derby ever run (so they say) in Calcutta."

Our Calcutta contemporary describes the third race as follows:—

THIRD RACE.—Baboo Sham Churn Mullick's Plate, value Rs. 500. For all Colonial and Country-breds Maidens allowed 9 lbs. Maidens on the day of the Race allowed 3 lbs. additional. 1½ miles.

And a Sweepstake of Rs. 150 for all Horses declared to start.

		st.	lb.		
The Southern Confederates'	Melbourne	9	11	Challoner	1
Mr W W's	Rocket	6	11	Dignum	2
Mr Bremen's	Detrimental	9	11	Donaldson	3

Considerable interest was evinced in this race owing to the first appearance of Melbourne, after winning performances at Mysore, Madras, and Bombay. It was a mile and a quarter race only; a longer one might have given the luck to Rocket. From the start the three took the position in which they came in. The race was really between Melbourne and Rocket; the former winning in style, but looking as if he could not have stayed another mile. Melbourne takes a chance in the race for the Viceroy's Cup on Friday; the Southern Confederacy has taken eighty gold mohurs in a lottery of 150. Vanderdocken realized 22 g. ms. in the same lottery, Rocket 15, and Detrimental 10.

A SENSITIVE PRECENTOR.—We understand that Mr. Goodlad, precentor in the First Free Church, Wick, who is doomed by a decree (not of the people, but of the clergyman and his session) to "read the line" during all the extra-mental services, which begin on Thursday and end on Monday afternoon, took into consideration the ridiculous position in which he stood by reading such lines as "I like an owl in desert am," &c. Mr. Goodlad, therefore, read the lines continuously, to make something like an approximation to textual sense; but this could not be endured, and we learn that in future he must, at the fiat of the clergyman and session read out that he is like "an owl," "a worm," or any other creature, which may be named in "the line."—*John's Great Journal.*

BOMBAY.

WE are requested to state that the Income Tax Office will be closed only on Christmas and New Year's Days.

ASSISTANT SURGEON H. T. DANN, Acting Presidency Surgeon 2nd District, has been allowed ten days' privilege leave.

THE pecuniary limit of the jurisdiction of the Court of Small Causes of the Baroda military cantonment is by an order of Government extended to Rs. 500.

THE ANNUAL CONVOCATION FOR CONFERRING DEGREES, in connection with the Bombay University, will be held in the Town Hall on Tuesday, the 11th January.

TARRAPOOR.—Under section 14 of Act XXVI of 1850, the Governor in Council has suspended the operation of the said Act in the town of Tarrapoor, in the Tanna collectorate.

MATHERAN.—It is notified that from and after the 1st April 1870 the toll levy on the Matheran Hill will be increased to the maximum rate entered in the schedule of Act XV of 1864.

PLEADER.—The Chief Justice and Judges of the High Court of Judicature have granted Mr. Bhasker Vishram Narkur a sunud authorising him to practise as a pleader in the courts of the Ruttnagherry district.

READING FOR SHAMEN.—The Rev. Wm. Brown Keer, Harbour Chaplain S. P. G., acknowledges with thanks the receipt of a parcel of books from J. Cameron, Esq., for distribution among the sailors afloat.

THE Government of Bombay has directed that from and after 1st January 1870, the new collectorate of Nassick shall be placed under the control of the Revenue and Police Commissioner, Northern Division.

THE S.S. LORD CLYDE, Captain Kingsome, arrived on Wednesday night from Cochin with the following passengers:—Miss Mary Carpenter, Mr. and Mrs. Stranick and three children, and 75 deck passengers.

THE S.S. PHLOX, Captain Baker, sailed yesterday for the Malabar Coast and Goa with the following passengers:—For Bankote—Rao Sabab Vishwanath Narayen Mundlik and wife. For Hurnee—Mr. Betham and Mr. Thornton. For Goa—Mr. Birt, Mr. Hardcastle, Mr. D. E. Savue, and Mr. NaRue.

THE MINT.—The value of silver ready

THE SCOTTISH ORPHANAGE EXCURSION.

For several years the children connected with the Bombay Scottish Orphanage have been treated to a trip to Elephanta at the commencement of the Christmas holidays after their annual examination; these trips are always immensely enjoyed by the children, who are certain always to receive the intimation that they will have the usual trip with three cheers. And who would not sympathise with the children in their mirth at the prospect of enjoying a really good day's fun after their hard application to their lessons for the annual examinations? At the examination last Saturday, at Mahim, it was announced to the children by the Hon'ble Mr. Tucker that they would have their trip to Elephanta on Wednesday; and on Wednesday morning, before 8 o'clock, the pupils, with Mr. and Mrs. Duthie, arrived from Mahim, at Carnac Bunder where they were joined by a few of their friends. Government had shown its interest in, and appreciation of the school by supplying a large troop transport barge, which accommodated all with seats, and a small steamer to tow the barge across the harbour. There was a cool refreshing breeze, and the sail seemed to put all the boys and girls into the best of spirits, and to paint their youthful cheeks with the fresh glow of health. On the arrival at the Caves tea was served immediately (the necessary tea-making apparatus having been sent over on the previous day), and then every one disposed herself or himself to merry-making and to examining the wondrous works of ancient Hindoo art. Mr. G. R. Wilson, the secretary and treasurer of the Society, had made the arrangements for the amusement of the children; and it is really impossible to imagine that any gentleman could make more complete or more satisfactory arrangements. Skipping ropes for the girls, a football for the boys, and many other things for different games were forthcoming immediately, as well as many little interesting and amusing nic-nacs. Archery practice at small parlour targets was a favourite game,—perhaps all the more so on account of the prizes in the shape of liberal supplies of "sweeties" to the boys and girls after they had taken their three shots at the target, and had (of course) made good practice." A good dinner, with *hot* potatoes, plenty of burrut, &c., &c., was served about one o'clock, and afterwards the fun went on without in the least flagging till nearly four o'clock, when the children were all collected under the great principal figures called the T.inity, where they sung a few of their favourite songs. After tea and cake the hour had arrived for preparing to leave—too soon no doubt many thought, for hours passed in uninterrupted mirth soon pass away—and after a pleasant sail the party arrived at Carnac Bunder about half past five, all of them highly delighted with their excursion. Before reaching the bunder the youngsters heartily cheered Mr. and Mrs. Duthie (who are very much liked by their pupils), and also Mr. Wilson, whose arrangements as we have said were admirable, and who, with the Rev. Mr. Macpherson and the Rev. Mr. Boyd became for the day young again, and did everything that possibly could make the children enjoy themselves thoroughly.

HIGH COURT.—APPELLATE SIDE.

THURSDAY, 9TH DECEMBER.

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice WARDEN and the Hon'ble Mr. Justice GIBBS.)

QUEEN VS. JESINGBHAI HATHISING.

THE HIGH COURT ON THE IMPARTIALITY OF COLLECTORS.

THIS was an application under section 404 of the Criminal Procedure Code for the reversal of a conviction by Mr. J. F. Fernandes, first-class subordinate magistrate of Ahmedabad.

The petitioner, a respectable banker of Ahmedabad, was charged at the instance of the collector of that place with the offence of executing a *bhada chiti* or rent-note on an insufficient stamp under section 3 of Act X. of 1862, and convicted of that offence by the first-class subordinate magistrate there, who sentenced him to pay a fine of Rs. 40; recording the following finding:—"Shet Jaysingbhai Hathising and Shah Vurujlal Panachand are charged with the offence of executing a lease, or being parties to a lease written on insufficiently stamped paper under section III of Act X of 1862; the said paper being of the value of Rs. 8, instead of that of Rs. 16 in accordance with item 40 of schedule A of Act X of 1862. The lessee as well as the lessor said that the aforesaid lease was executed for one year only. Shet Jaysingbhai Hathising states that the term *chuda chudee* was used with a view to meet payment for rent, if asked for monthly, or bimonthly or tri-monthly, within the period of that one year; and Shah Vurujlal Panachund, that the term *chuda chudee* was used by mistake; and this would seem to be borne out by the admission subsequently made by Shah Vurujlal that, under the impression that the term *chuda chudee* might be construed into prolonging the period of the lease beyond one year if an additional stamp of Rs. 8 were put on to the lease, he submitted the document to the collector for the purpose of the additional stamp being so affixed. Looking, however, to the lease itself an English translation of which the Court has made, and is appended under No. 3A, the above statement admits of considerable doubt. The conditions are transcribed below:—'I have rented the buildings . . . . and have settled Company's Rs. 1,500 as their rent for one year: this (sum) I will pay as it becomes due, and these buildings after the expiration of one year, as written above, I will without any *takrar* (let or hindrance) vacate and make over to you at any time you may desire me to vacate them.' As the writing stands it would seem to imply that Shet Jaysingbhai was to keep the buildings for one year certain for Rs. 1,800, and that after that period he was to continue in possession of them for an indefinite term on the same rent of Rs. 1,800 per annum; provided Shah Vurujlal did not ask him to vacate them, and this interpretation receives confirmation from the fact that Shet Jaysingbhai has up to this date continued in possession of the said building. Under these circumstances, the Court, while admitting the respectability of the parties to the aforesaid lease, and the possibility of the understanding in the transaction being as alleged by them, cannot come to other conclusion than that an infringement of the provision of section III of Act X of 1862 has taken place in the case. The Court accordingly finds that Jaysingbhai Hathising and Shah Vurujlal Panachand are guilty of the offence they have been charged with, viz., executing a lease on an insufficiently stamped paper, and, therefore, direct that they each forfeit a sum of Rs. 40."

Mr. Nanabhai Haridas, in support of the petition urged that the conviction and sentence complained of were both of them illegal and required to be reversed, inasmuch as the stamp upon the lease was the proper stamp. The lease was only for one year and not for a period exceeding that period; and, therefore, under article 40 of schedule A of the Stamp Act the proper stamp for it was Rs. 8, which it had on it, and not Rs. 16 as erroneously ruled by the subordinate magistrate.

Mr. Justice Warden after referring to the terms of the lease (as given above) asked whether the lessee might not remain in possession for more than one year?

Mr. Nanabhai—He may if the landlord permits for any length of time. But the lease is nevertheless only for one year. It expires at the end of the year, and the lessee can't claim to remain in possession for a single day after against the landlord's wish, and the landlord may under it turn the tenant out the very next day after the year of tenancy. It is not therefore a lease for a period exceeding one year so as to require a stamp of Rs. 16 as the sub-magistrate holds it to do.

Mr. Justice Gibbs—Why does your client come direct to us? He might have appealed to the district magistrate.

Mr. Nanabhai—It is because of the peculiar position of the district magistrate in connection with this case that such happens to be the case. The gentleman who holds the post of district magistrate holds also the post of collector, in which latter capacity he ordered the prosecution. One may naturally suppose that he had formed an opinion on the subject unfavourable to the petitioner before he prosecuted him, and that therefore he could not well be a judge in appeal in the case.

Mr. Justice Gibbs—We cannot presume that if the matter is properly placed before the district magistrate by your client's pleader in Ahmedabad, he will not send up the case for our consideration under section 404 of the Criminal Procedure Code.

Mr. Justice Warden—Mr. Borradaile has on former occasions sent up other cases to us unsolicited by any party, and it is not to be supposed he may not do so in this case, if solicited.

Mr. Justice Gibbs—All ordinary remedies should be exhausted before we are asked to exercise our extraordinary jurisdiction, as we are not sitting here to hear appeals against the decisions of all the subordinate magistrates in the Mofussil.

The petition was accordingly dismissed.

ANOTHER ALPINE TUNNEL.—The *Borsem-Zeitung* states that Messrs. Grattoni and Brassey, and Dr. Strousburg have jointly undertaken to tunnel the St Gothard, and have engaged to complete the gigantic undertaking in less than seven years.

PROGRESS AND THE PAPACY.—A religious journal, *Le Monde*, says it is well known that the Papacy has been the originator of the greatest undertakings and the leaders of every movement best calculated to ensure the progress of civilization. According to this journal it was a Poper Sixtus Quintus, who first conceived the idea of the Suez Canal.

CLAIM BY A SHIP CAPTAIN AGAINST HIS SHIP.

ON Monday Mr. Justice Westropp disposed of a suit brought in the High Court by Edward Gardner, of Singapore, late master of the ship Persia, against the proceeds of that ship for wages and expenses. Mr. Fergusson (instructed by Messrs. Manisty and Hurrell) appeared for the plaintiff; there was no defence. The owner of the ship was Shaik Salim Bin Oomar Basharabil, of Singapore. The circumstances of the case are explained in detail in his lordship's judgment.

Mr. Justice Westropp said:—This is a suit by the master of the ship Persia to recover Rs. 2,857-8-0 in respect of wages, and Rs. 450, the expense of a passage by steamer to Singapore from Bombay. The ship's Articles (dated 30th October 1868) provide for a voyage "from Singapore to Jeddah, or any ports or places in the Indian and Red Seas, until the ship returns to Singapore as a final port of discharge of the crew: term of service not to exceed twelve months." Edward Gardner, the plaintiff, took the command of the Persia on the day of the date of the articles, his wages being 110 dollars per mensem. The vessel arrived at Jeddah on the 22nd February 1869, with pilgrims, having touched in the course of the voyage at Malacca, Penang, Alipee, and Makullah. She remained at Jeddah until the 11th July 1869, when she sailed. She touched at Horeida and at Jebber. The owner, Shaik Selim bin Omar Basharabil, (who had, until the vessel came off Aden on the return voyage, been on board the Persia,) landed in a native craft at Aden, stating that he intended to proceed thence by steamer to Penang, and ordering the plaintiff to take the Persia to Penang and Singapore. After passing Aden the Persia met with heavy weather, got five feet of water in her hold, and her pumps choked with sand ballast. The passengers came in a body to the master and required him to run for the nearest port, then Bombay, which was 500 miles off. He complied, and succeeded in reaching Bombay Harbour on the 7th or 8th of August 1869. The owner had, when he went ashore at Aden, left his nephew and another Arab on board the Persia as joint supercargoes. That nephew wrote to the owner at Penang by the first mail after the arrival of the Persia, advising him of what had occurred. The master wrote to him by the following mail, and five times subsequently, without obtaining any reply. The owner has, however, it has been stated in evidence, written several letters to Shaik Mahomed Abdool Latiff, the ship's agent, who has been aware of the tendency of this suit from its commencement. The master had certain repairs made to the Persia, and he not having any funds in hand belonging to the ship the agent advanced money for that purpose. The ship having been subsequently surveyed on behalf of Government was condemned as unfit to carry passengers. Neither the master, nor agent, being able to procure money or means from the owner to provide for the support of the seamen, or for their wages, or to make further repairs, the agent declining to make further advances, and the owner refusing to repay those which the agent had already made, the seamen took proceedings under the S. S. 55 and 56 of Act I. of 1859, before the senior magistrate of police, for recovery of wages due to them. To levy these wages he sold the ship on the 8th November last. She realized Rs. 12,000. By warrant, tested as of the 23rd November in their suit (issued pursuant to an order made in chamber by Sir C. Sargent, on the 15th November 1869), the sheriff was ordered to arrest the proceeds of the Persia remaining in the hands of the senior magistrate, and on the 7th December instant, the sheriff returned that he had so arrested Rs. 9,303-9-3, stated to be the balance of such proceeds. The plaint in this suit was presented to Sir Charles Sargent on the 15th, and filed on the 16th November last, that is to say, eight days after the sale of the ship, by the senior magistrate, which was, I think, reasonable diligence on the part of the master in bringing his suit. Section 58 of Act I. of 1859 enacts that "every master of a ship shall, *so far as the case permits*, have the same rights, liens, and remedies for the recovery of his wages, which by this Act, *or by any law or custom*, any seaman not being a master has for the recovery of his wages; and if in any proceeding in any Court of Admiralty or Vice Admiralty, touching the claim of a master to wages, any right of set-off or counter-claim is set up, it shall be lawful for such Court to enter into and adjudicate upon all questions, and to settle all accounts, then arising or outstanding and unsettled between the parties to the proceeding, and to direct payment of any balance which is found to be due." That enactment is similar to section 191 of the English Merchant Shipping Act of 1854 (17 and 18 Vic. 104). Its 185th section is analogous to section 51 of Act I. of 1859, which latter is as follows:—"In cases where the service of any seaman terminates before the period contemplated in the agreement by reason of the wreck or loss of the ship, and also in cases where such service terminates before such period as aforesaid, by reason of his being left on shore at any place abroad under a certificate of his unfitness or inability to proceed on the voyage, granted under the provisions of the Merchants' Shipping Act of 1854, such seaman shall be entitled to wages for the time of service prior to such termination as aforesaid, but not for any further period." Assuming that Section 58 of Act I. of 1859, so operates as to render that Section (51) applicable as well to a master as to a seaman, it does not govern this case in which the voyage has not been cut short by wreck or loss of the ship, nor has the master been left in Bombay by reason of any inability or unfitness on his part to proceed on the voyage. I shall not say that this is a case of wrongful dismissal of the master by the owner, but it does more nearly resemble such a case than any of the cases specified in Section 51 of Act I. of 1859. It is by reason of the default of the owner to supply sufficient funds to repair the ship, that she has been condemned as unfit to carry her passengers to Penang and Singapore, and it is by reason of his default also to supply funds for payment of mariners' wages that her sale has been rendered necessary His omissions therefore have caused the untimely termination of the voyage. In the useful and recently published treatise on Admiralty Practice of Messrs. Williams and Bruce, I find at page 164, this passage:—"The claim mentioned in the 10 section of the Admiralty Court Act (1861), is a claim for *wages earned on board any ship. Ship*, for the purpose of the Act includes any description of vessel used in navigation not propelled by oars. The words *wages earned on board* the ship are meant to exclude all claims except in the nature of damages, such as for wrongful dismissal before the the termination of the engagement, and the like, and to confine the extention of jurisdiction to wages actually earned on board the ship on which the seaman is employed. Thus the Court would not have jurisdiction to award compensation for a wrongful dismissal in any case in which the seaman was engaged under a special contract; the only jurisdiction which the Court has in such a case being that conferred by the section. The Court, however, has *always* exercised jurisdiction in ordinary wages suits, to award damages, either as wages, or as compensation in the nature of wages, what at common law would be recoverable only as damages. Thus, when there has been a wrongful dismissal, the Court has awarded to the seaman wages up to the time when the contract would have expired in ordinary course, less such a sum as the seaman may have earned in the meantime, and if discharged abroad, has also awarded to the seaman the expense of returning to his port of discharge. So, too, in the case of foreign seamen improperly discharged in this country, the Court has always been in the habit of awarding to them the expenses of their return to their own country."

In the case of the Elizabeth (2 Dodson Adm. Rep. 403) the voyage agreed for was from Portsmouth to St. Petersburg and back. The Elizabeth on the 27th September 1818, without the default of any person, and owing to the extreme darkness of the weather, ran on shore on the Island of Gothland. The crew got safely off and carried her into the port of Ostergam for repairs. The master on the 21st October, discharged the crew, as he told them "because the ship could not be repaired in time before she would be blocked up by the ice, and therefore it was necessary in order to save the expense of maintaining them in the winter there." They were conveyed to the ports of Wisby and Elsinore, and thence embarked for London, where they arrived in January 1819. The ship Elizabeth was in April following brought to England by a Swedish crew picked up at Gothland. The original crew claimed wages up to the arrival of the Ship in April, and their passage money to England. The owners tendered wages up to the discharge of the crew in September only, and objected to pay any passage money Lord Stewell thought that the crew claimed too much, and that the owners offered too little.

"Assuming that the case of wrongful discharge, or as the French express it, *sans cause valuable*, upon idle or false pretences in which there was, he said, "tyranny, passion, and injustice on the part of the master, that warranted a penal retribution against him or his owners" and that hence arose the rule, founded on the civil law, and prevalent in most countries, "that the mariner wrongfully discharged has a right to charge up to the time of the return of the vessel to her original port." Lord Stewell said—"But here is a case arising from mere misfortune, and approaching to almost a necessity. The rule to be applied must not be founded upon an idea of penal retribution, but upon just ideas of fair protection to be given to the seaman under the casual and common misfortune that has occurred. See what his real damage and loss has been; compensate that, and then real justice and all honest policy is satisfied." In reply to the question what was their just claim? his Lordship replied by decid-ing that they were entitled to have their passage paid, and their wages up to the time of their arrival in England in January. He said "I think the master had a right to discharge them under such circumstances of extreme pressure. They did right by acting upon this discharge, and if they are paid their passage and their wages up to the time of their return, they have all they can demand against their innocent owners. In this I go quite as far as the partiality of the law for this class of men will carry me; to go further would be to gratify an unwarrantable pretension. This is the rule which I am disposed to extract, from considerations of private equity and public policy, in a case not provided for by any existing regulation, either in the ordinances or decisions of this country, or in the books of authority given to the world by ancient jurists. Nothing can be more generally or more peremptorily laid down than that a master discharging a seaman wrongfully is answerable for the whole wages of the voyage of that ship; but can such a rule apply either in its terms or meaning to a case where, in consequence of an uncontrollable misfortune, for which not person was at all to blame, but which affects all parties, and on a grave and imperious necessity arising thereon, a crew is discharged in order to exonerate the owners from a most oppressive burthen; care being at the same time taken that the seamen shall be protected from all injurious loss? Is it to be laid down, that in such case the master possesses no such responsible discretion, and that he is bound to let that crew derive a most unjust profit from the misfortune of their employers? I conceive not. He is not certainly in their discharge to act hastily or with precipitate fear. He is not to discharge but where the circumstances will make it *cause velable* a real and sufficient ground for such a procedure, still less is he to turn them adrift, pennyless and without resource in a foreign country."

The present case is a stronger case than that of the Elizabeth. The inability of that vessel to proceed upon her voyage was, as Lord Stewell phrases it, caused by "uncontrollable misfortune," not as in the case of the Persia by the persistent refusal and default of the owner to provide the funds necessary for the repairs of the ship and the sustentation and wages of her crew. Under the circumstances of this case the master was, I think, notwithstanding the limit in the articles of the term of service to twelve months, right in remaining in Bombay in charge of the Persia until the default of the owner occasioned her sale, the voyage not having been completed, the agent not apparently having instructions to take charge of the vessel, and refusing to advance further monies for the repair or for the support of the crew, and a remittance from the owner might have arrived at the eleventh hour sufficient for these purposes. The sale having been made on the 8th November, the master with all due despatch presented his plaint on the 15th November, and it was filed on the 16th November. He was necessarily detained here to await the hearing of his suit. Messrs. Williams and Bruce, in the 2nd page 164 of their treatise, mention some cases opposite to the present instance, which I have not elsewhere met with, as follows:—

"In the San Jose Primeiro, the Registrar and Merchants" (to whom the matter stood referred by the Court of Admiralty according to its usual practice) "in their report (29 June 1860) allowed Portuguese seamen their passage money home."

In the Ermina (8th August, 1860) a *colonial* ship, where the voyage was from Halifax to Falmouth and back again to Halifax, they allowed the master, on the ship being sold in this country (England), wages up to his discharge, and for a period sufficient to enable him to get back to Halifax, his passage money and ten days' double pay. In the Oani (8th December 1860). The Omyum, the Gustaf (21st July 1862). The D. Jox (2549), the Ernst Merk (13th December 1865) similar allowances were made.

The Court of Admiralty has notwithstanding the words "wages earned by him on board the ship" contained in the Admiralty Court Act, 1861, Section 10, referred to by the learned authors above quoted, regarded itself as having a pre-statutory jurisdiction in the case of a wrongful discharge to give compensation in the nature of damages to a master—The Calmilla (Swabey 312)—or seaman, The Great Eastern (L. R. I. Adm. 384.) The same principle appears to me to apply to the case of a voyage prematurely terminated by the obstinate default of the owner, and *was*, it would seem, applied in the Ermina, a case apparently of necessity; the colonial ship in that instance having been sold in England.

The plaintiff cannot reach his destination, Singapore, so soon as the 30 of December, the period up to which he asks for his wages. Looking at the circumstances of the case and at the authorities to which I have referred, the demand is in my opinion reasonable and within the scope of those authorities. I therefore pronounce in favour of the whole of his claim, viz:—Rs. 2,857-8-0, balance of wages up to the 30th December instant, and Rs. 450 passage money to Singapore, and costs, with speedy execution.

The Sheriff is to pay into the hands of the Admiralty Registrar the moneys in his hands in this cause. I must consider whether the Sheriff is entitled to poundage and if so, to what extent. I shall communicate my decision on that point to Mr. Orr, the Registrar.

INSOLVENTS.

PETITIONS have been presented by the several persons hereunder named and described to the Court for the Relief of Insolvent Debtors, Bombay, praying respectively for the benefit of Act XI. Victoria, Chapter XXI.:—

Shaik Emam Bapoo Shaik Chand, Jan Mahomed, and Shaik Oomerdin Ahmed, the first named insolvent is a blacksmith in the Arsenal, and the second and third are farriers in the Municipal Establishment.

Manoel Antone de Sonza, lately traded as a merchant in partnership with Charles Pryer and the late Antone Doming de Souza, under the name and firm of Souza, Pryer and Co.

Balajee Heerajee, a compositor.

Manick Moroba, lately carried on business as a contractor in partnership with Pandoorung Damajee, and the late Bhicoo Gopal, under the name of Bhicoo Gopal.

Sayee Peerajee, a liquor shopkeeper.

Luloo Shunker, a sweeper.

Caeton Manoel de Souza, a baker.

Bheewa Kesow, a carpenter.

Fatmabaee, widow of the late Shaik Bhican vulud Mahomed Abas, unemployed.

Thucker Gooculdass Liladhur, trading in Bombay: Jaria, Veravul, and Catch under the style of Gooculdass Liladhur; at Bombay, Kurrachee, Kompta, Veravul, Bhownuggur, Jaria, and Catch under the name and style of Vusonjee Gooculdass and Co., in partnership with one Thucker Vusonjee Moorarjee; and at Bombay under the style of Gooculdass Liladhur and Co., in partnership with the said Thucker Vusonjee Moorarjee, Thucker Damodhur Heerjee, and Thucker Mooljee Moorarjee.

Thucker Vusonjee Moorarjee, a merchant trading in Bombay, Kurrachee, and Kompta, in partnership with one Gooculdass Liladhur, under the style of Vusonjee Gooculdass and Co.; at Bombay under the style of Gooculdass Liladhur and Co., in partnership with the said Gooculdass Liladhur, Damodhur Heerjee, and Mooljee Moorajee.

Bapoo Witojee, unemployed.

Ramjee Bapoojee, a buggy driver.

Sudoba Narayen and Govindjee Sudoba, carpenters.

Ramnarayen Sakurya, a broker.

Dinker Mahadew Nulgowker, a contractor.

Thomas Gouldin, a moulder.

Sucaram Kesow Bhandaree, an English writer, unemployed.

Jeewan Tricum, a dealer in ghee.

Henry McCormack, a clerk.

Thucker Dyal Khimjee, Laljee Thakersey, and Josey Jetta Culianjee, trading in Bombay under the name and firm of Thucker Khimjee Curson, and at Vingorla under the name of Dyal Khimjee.

Bhicajee Jairam, unemployed.

Limbajee Coostnajee, a dealer in sheep.

Rewoobaee, woman, a dealer in vegetables.

Meeya Abdool Cader vulud Mahomed Esmael Logday, a shroff.

Arjoon Namdew, Namdew Witoba, and Nana Babajee, lately carried on business as hawkers of clothes.

Munjee Tekchund, Motee Tekchund, and Dewa Tekchund, trading under the name of Munjee Tekchund, as dealers in copper and brass pots.

Bhagoo, woman, a courtezan.

Syed Mahomed bin Syed Ahmed Mudnee, lately carried on business in Europe articles.

Memon Salamon Hasum, a hawker of clothes.

THE SUEZ CANAL.

THE following letter, dated Alexandria, 28th November, has (says the *Englishman*) been received by one of the most eminent mercantile firms in India:—

"There is a good deal to be done to the canal yet, and a great deal more money spent before it is capable of carrying on its bosom the trade of India, in vessels drawing up to 26 feet, but I have no doubt that it will at once begin to have its share of the Indian trade in vessels drawing up to 20 feet. Vessels of 19 feet passed through the Port Said section, and of 16½ feet through the Suez section. A rock they came on a few days before the opening, near Serapeum, is the cause of the reduced draft of ships passing through but the removal of it can only be a question of gunpowder. I feel convinced there will be considerably over 20 feet all through the Suez section in a few weeks hence.

"The Bitter Lakes are a marvellous sight. A great sea of some 18 miles in length and 6 to 8 in breadth where 10 months ago, we could ride over on horseback. The water is as clear as in the Red Sea, a few miles below Suez. Lake Timsah was much in the same position 10 months ago, and is now swarming with fish. At the exit of the Bitter Lakes, we met a French-sailing ship, the Noel, size apparently 7 to 800 tons, and draft about 14 feet, going through in tow of a small steamer.

"I wish I had seen the canal and its works earlier. I should not have been so sceptical as I remained to the last."

INDIAN ITEMS.

MR. N. A. ROUPELL, the Assistant Collector of Coimbatore, has met with a serious accident. While riding home in the dark his horse stumbled, and threw him, breaking his left collar-bone badly.—*Madras Athenæum*, Dec. 18.

AN effort is being made to revive the Volunteer Cavalry movement at Lahore. A troop of 30 men has been formed, and it is expected that many more will join.—*Englishman*, Dec. 20.

AS a favorable contrast to the absurd order of General Sir R. Smythe on which we commented yesterday, it is worth remark that in the West Sir Augustus Spencer, the new Commander-in-Chief has desired it to be understood throughout the Bombay Army, that officers are permitted to attend all balls, evening parties and dinners, in undress without swords, unless at Government House, when undress is not specified in the invitation.—*Madras Mail*, Dec. 18.

DR. Newman's name being omitted from the list of expected visitors at Rome, the *Birmingham Post* states that a special invitation from the Pope was addressed to the eminent Oratorian a few months since, asking him to accept the office of Theologian to the Council, but owing to his age and infirmity, Dr. Newman felt compelled to decline the honour.

THE LOSS OF THE CARNATIC.

(Shipping Gazette.)

How came the Carnatic, on a beautiful clear night, to be steered on to a well-known and correctly laid down reef of considerable extent? This question her commander answers by asserting that there must have been a westerly current of which he was not cognizant. If there really did exist a cross current when the ship was off Jubal, and this was not allowed for or detected the loss of the ship is easily explained. To understand the ship's position, a few particulars are necessary. The Red Sea narrows at its northern extremity, and may be described as of a bottle form. The narrow part or neck is called the Gulf of Suez. Its average breadth is about twenty-one miles, or equal to that of the Straits of Dover, between the English and French Coast. After leaving Suez the first light observed is at Zafarana Point, and should be visible fourteen miles. The distance from Suez to Zafarana on the Egyptian shore is about forty miles, so that the Suez lights are not lost for more than an hour before the former is seen. There is no other light from Zafarana to the Island of Ushraffee, a distance of ninety miles. Beyond this latter is the Island of Jubal, and several groups of isles and reefs of rocks. Fortunately, all these impediments to navigation are situated to the west of the Gulf, and in that part where the Red Sea proper commences, so that there is a broad channel between them and the eastern coast, designated the Straits of Jubal, some fourteen miles in width, free of obstructions, and carrying deep soundings. From Suez to Ushraffee the Gulf is clear of impediments, the depth of water varying from 20 to 50 fathoms throughout the whole 130 miles. The light at Ushraffee is elevated 125 feet, and reflects 18 miles. It is, therefore, seen as far south as Shadwan Island, and, as a matter of course, in the Jubal Straits, beyond where the Carnatic was wrecked.

As Shadwan is at the south-east mouth of the Gulf of Suez, a light on that island would be of much benefit to Masters of vessels in command of ships from Suez. Although there was no light there, however, the light at Ushraffee was seen from the Carnatic, both before and after she struck, to be burning brightly. About half an hour previous to the disaster, Captain Jones deposes that he hauled the ship to S. 51 E. This was S.E. ¼ E. nearly, and the light astern was about a quarter of a point to the westward of N.W. The light was, therefore, about a quarter of a point to port. This in itself, independent of the bearing of Jubal to the west, was evidence that the ship was out of the Channel, in her course to the Straits of Jubal. The flood tide sets N.W., and ebbs S.E., and these are safe courses to steer by. Seas and rivers, we are well aware, are influenced occasionally by strong winds; but the charts do not show any current near Jubal, and the tides are regular in their ebb and flow. At the Suez head of the Gulf there is a rise of six feet at the springs, which is a good average, and is exceeded only when there is a continuance of gales from the S.E. If, then, the Carnatic had a good offing when abreast of Ushraffee, a south-erly (magnetic) course would have taken her through the Jubal Straits in mid-channel. The ship was going away to westward, but this may have been owing to variation in the compass, due to extraneous circumstances. The ship had the wind N.N.W., or from five to six points abaft the beam, and with all plain sails set. She was going 11½ to 12 knots through the water, when the surf on the reef was discerned by the master, who, it is said, by the passengers, was on deck, and appeared to be very attentive to his duties. He, however, had an excellent bearing in the light of Ushraffee in his wake, but, relying on his compass by compass, so unfortunately did not note its changed position as measured by the ship's course. Had she not been hauled to S. 51 E., in all probability she would have gone to the westward of the reef, and steamed on to the Isle of Shadwan ahead. Two hundred yards, it is said, would have saved her.

Presuming the ship to have been well to the north-east of Ushraffee, and the course steered the correct one for the mouth of the Gulf, it follows that there must have been either a set to the S. W., or the compasses were in error. We incline to the belief that the latter was the case, and, if so, it adds another to the many former instances of Masters or Officers in charge of iron-built ships placing too much dependence on the compass, and neglecting the other guides for safe navigation. Here was the Carnatic, in a time-worn channel, on a lovely night, with a good beacon in sight, and yet steered by the direction of the compass on to a reef several miles to leeward of her course, and completely wrecked. There was no loss of the ship will, however, be the subject of an Official Inquiry on Tuesday next, and we suspend further comment until the result of the investigation is before us.

THE MARQUIS OF BUTE ON ART.

THE Marquis of Bute presented the prizes at the Cardiff art and science classes, and in the course of his speech observed,—"There is an immense quantity of early-woven tapestry, the plunder of private houses at the time of the revolution, to be had in France,—so much so, that, being at Lyons the other day, on the occasion of a great public festivity, I found the streets in many places hung all along with old tapestry, sheets, and flowers. This woven tapestry came in about the time of the Renaissance, to fill the place of the embroidered hangings of the Middle Ages, and later we find the place of the simple hangings supplied by stretching stuff, generally silk damask, tight over the wall, as common in large houses in Italy as paper-hangings are here at the present day. This has a richer effect than paper, but besides the great cost, which must forbid it, as well as woven tapestry, to many, it shares with woven tapestry the great defect of losing the grace and elegance of the older hangings. It is to the old practice of hanging the wall with stuff rather than painting or papering it that I would particularly direct your attention. Pictures can very well be hung upon it. Paper, however, is now come to be the most ordinary covering for our walls. A person with taste in colour should choose a paper whose pattern does not offend, as many do; and in this matter Pugin lays down the same rule as regards carpets, viz., the avoidance of anything like an attempt at the representation of shade or perspective. In accordance with this, we shall find that the best patterns are those later the manner of shaped-work, for effect and for propriety, and a little care will select those whose colours and patterns are most suitable, considering the use to which the room is to be turned, and the colour and kind of the rest of the furniture. Concerning ceilings, the rule of adhering to the nature of the forming structures, even specially for the purpose of ornament, is fatal to many flat plaster ceilings, which are simple screens to hide the construction. The plainest good ceiling is of wood, and, as in panelling, the natural advantages of the wood should be carefully utilised. The effect of an open mode of ceiling introduced is very beautiful. If further ornament be required the wood should be painted in an effective manner, which ought to be light and more brilliant than the objects below. We find that the decoration of old wooden ceilings was frequently, as in nature, a powdering of stars; and heraldic decorations are very well adapted, by their brightness, to occupy this position. In large roofs, where carving has been added, the effect has been splendid in the extreme. Where convenience has made it desirable to have a flat roof, this has been made the object of some beautiful decoration. I think I am not mistaken in saying that a magnificent specimen of this treatment remains in Peterborough. I am altogether innocent of an extraordinary scheme which has recently been attributed to me for filling the windows of a certain cathedral with plate glass, to be further disfigured by having coats of arms cut on them, like the so-called decorations of some decanters and wineglasses."—*Builder*.

A MANUFACTORY OF AUTOGRAPHS.

A FABRICATOR of spurious autographs has just fallen into the hands of the police of Paris. A woman, who gave a false address, called recently on M. Muffat, a dealer in ancient books, and offered for a relatively low price letters of Berenger, Rossini, Meyerbeer, Madame Rachel, Talleyrand, Cambronne, &c., which she said she had been charged to sell for a collector who was in want of money. M. Muffat already possesses a large number of rare autographs, and eagerly took advantage of this opportunity of increasing his stock; he bought all that were offered, and in great delight at the bargain carried his treasures to M. Charavay, an expert in ancient writings, to whom he communicated his good fortune. The other having examined them attentively discovered that they were all forgeries, although cleverly executed. Soon after the woman paid a visit to Charavay himself, and he at once sent for a sergent-de-ville, and she was taken before the commissary of police, who accompanied her to her residence at Levallois-Perret. There he found an apartment elegantly furnished, containing a library, in part composed of old books, and, after a minute search, discovered numerous autographs, some real and some false, with specimens of old writing, imitations of the signatures of the most remarkable personages of the present century, a quantity of parchments, and numerous leaves torn from ancient books. The woman confessed that the autographs had been forged by her son, a clerk in the Soleil Insurance Office. The young man was subsequently arrested in that establishment, while in the act of transcribing an autograph of Silvio Pellico, of which four other copies were found at his home. He is aged 28, of remarkable intelligence, learned, and of extraordinary skill in caligraphy. He and his mother have been lodged in prison.

A COSTLY CRADLE.—The Syndic of Naples has presented to Prince Humbert, in the name of the city, cradle of the value of £2,000 for the infant son of his Royal Highness.

"NEVER TOO LATE TO MEND!"—Joshua Cancock, of Ossipee, New Hampshire, is "according to the best information," 106 years old, and has just left off the use of tobacco, because "its effects are injurious, and it tends to shorten life."

AN INNOCENT AUDIENCE.—At a theatrical entertainment in Lafayette (Indiana), a few days ago—one of the very few ever given in the town—the audience was made up of people who had so little experience in the drama that they did not know when the play closed. After the curtain had fallen on *Oliver Twist*, they still kept their seats until the dead Jew, Fagin, came out and told them they might go home.—*New York Tribune*, Nov. 8.

THE FORTUNE OF THE LATE EARL OF DERBY.—The *Record* says the late Earl of Derby has left behind him a fortune of £190,000 a year. When his lordship succeeded to his estates they were said to be worth £60,000 a year; but the great increase is attributed to the wonderful extension of factories in Lancashire, and the consequent enormous increase of buildings. It is said that miles in extent have been covered with houses built on land, much of which was formerly barren and nearly unproductive.

THE FIRST VACCINATOR.—In the old churchyard of Worth, Dorsetshire, is a tomb with the following inscription:—"Benjamin Jesty, of Downhay, died April 16, 1816, aged 79. He was born at Yetminster in this county, and was an upright, honest man, particularly noted for having been the first person known that introduced the cow-pox by inoculation, and who, for his great strength of mind made the experiment from the cow on his wife and two sons in the year 1774."—*Medical Times and Gazette*.

LITERARY GOSSIP.

NEWSPAPERS are once more looking up in the world. Several new ones are promised us, and the preparations for the publication of one or two of these newcomers are far advanced. Amongst these is the *Graphic* which is to be a formidable rival to the *Illustrated London News*, and will be published under the editorship of Mr. Sutherland Edwards. The *Period* an excessively fast publication which was lately started, and which generally presents its readers with one or two very good and a number of very bad and somewhat erratic illustrations, is said to be immensely successful. The *Pall Mall Gazette* has offended its chief supporters, the broad churchmen, by an article upon Mr. Maurice's farewell Sermon from Vere Street, which is said to be from the pen of Mr. Seeley, and which, Mr. Maurice's followers declare, misrepresents the whole spirit of his teaching. Mr. Delane is back in harness, and is working harder than ever in his editorial seat at the *Times* office. There were some sad blunders committed by the leading journal whilst he was away but these will be avoided now that he has come back. Few men in London work harder than the Editor of the *Times*, and few are more regular in their attendance to severe and exhausting duties. Every night Mr. Delane is at the *Times* office by five o'clock and he does not leave it again till three o'clock in the morning. He is no mere ornamental editor, but goes through the ordinary drudgery of the editorial room, despite the fact that he has an established position in society, and the income of a Cabinet Minister. Mr. Hill, for several years a principal leader writer upon the *Daily News* has just been appointed editor of that journal in Mr. Walker's place. There are no other items of interest to record in connection with the newspaper press. Of Mr. Tennyson's new book—the title of which is not even yet settled—no fewer than 40,000 copies have already been ordered of the publishers.—*London Letter*.

AMONG THE FENIANS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE DAILY NEWS.

SIR,—Looking at the *Pall Mall Gazette* on the evening of the 23rd, my eye lighted on the following announcement:—

A FENIAN CONCERT AND BALL.

"To-night a 'grand concert and ball' will take place at the New Hall of Science, Old-street-road, which it is expected will be attended by about 1,000 London sympathisers with Fenianism. . . . . The ball, by special permission, will continue until 3 o'clock in the morning. . . . . The prices are upon the following liberal scale:—Reserved seats, 1s.; double ticket, 1s. 6d.; gallery, 6d."

On reading this paragraph after dinner, I immediately proposed to a friend who was with me that we should go and see the fun. He as quickly agreed, and having toned ourselves down to as close an approximation to the Fenian sympathisers as the capabilities of our wardrobe permitted and armed ourselves with two shillelagh-looking sticks, we started on our somewhat novel expedition.

It was a matter of some difficulty to find the rendezvous. The existence of the New Hall of Science seemed to be unknown to even the most intelligent inhabitants of St. Luke's that we met; but presently a lamp bearing that inscription loomed before us, and the object of our search was gained. Looking as Irish as we could, we went up a passage, pushed a swing door, and, tendering the admission money, we were, after a somewhat lengthened and suspicious stare, allowed to p

THE LATE MARQUIS OF WESTMINSTER.

We have received the following, to which we willingly give publicity :—"I have read with astonishment the conclusion you have so hastily arrived at as regards the sum of money bequeathed to the Lord Richard Aquila Grosvenor by his father, the late Marquis of Westminster. You say that you believe that when you stated he had only been left £2,000 a year you ought to have said £20,000 ; this is quite a mistake, the first-mentioned sum, £2,000, being the correct sum. The terms of the will are as follow :—£40,000 a year and Motcombe are bequeathed to the Dowager-Marchioness, £2,000 a year to Lord Richard Grosvenor, £5,000 to each of his Lordship's married daughters, in addition to their marriage portions. The Lady Theodora Grosvenor inherits, at her mother's death, the princely property of Motcombe and the whole of the magnificent jointure now enjoyed by the Dowager-Marchioness. Of course the bulk of the late Marquis's property is strictly entailed, and, therefore, now devolves on the present Marquis. It has been considered right to send this for publication owing to the mistake which has arisen, through your medium, as to the fortune of Lord Richard."—*Court Journal.*

BUDDHISM.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY TELEGRAPH."

SIR,—It may not be uninteresting to some of your readers to find that the view held by the writer of your article on Buddhism, which appeared on the 13th instant, is countenanced by the definitions given of the term "Nirvâna" by Chinese authors. I have before me a work in that language, in which upwards of three hundred terms peculiar to Buddhism are simply explained by quotations from books, originally in Pali, but translated centuries ago into Chinese by learned Hindoo priests, with the co-operation of Chinese Buddhists.

Under the term "Nie-pan" (*i. e.*, the "Nigban" of the Pali, and "Nirvâna" of the Sanscrit) the quotation is first from the Book of Kanka (*i. e.*, Ceylon) : "Nirvâna is the bright, pure land, where there is no more death or birth—at once, the teminus where rests the man who has regulated his conduct (renovated his ways)." And this is explained further to mean the getting the better of transmigration, and being free from birth and death. Another work says, "The translation of Nirvâna is the annihilation of the boundary or limit, and an unvarying freedom from the bitterness of birth and death, with a great consciousness of unsullied purity as regards the three sources of impurity—the body, the mouth, and the mind."

These are plain translations from the Chinese; but they appear to show that the Buddhists in China did not, at the time those words were penned, look upon entering Nirvâna as a ceasing to be conscious. They speak of it as a land in which the changeableness of the present world is over, the struggle with sin is past, but where the knowledge of good remains. The esoteric doctrines of the Buddhists, contained in the Abhidharma class of writings, instruct the initiated in the "prajnâ paramitâ," or "knowledge of the way to arrive at the further shore," that is at Nirvâna.

That there have been teachers among the Buddhists who have wrested these doctrines to make "Nirvâna" signify utter annihilation there can be no doubt ; but there has also been a celebrated teacher, Nagarjuna, the founder of the school of the Madjamika philosophy, who controverted them : and I am inclined to believe in the more rational explanation of the term, and to give credit to the shrewed and pious Buddhists who follow that explanation, rather than to judge the system by the opinions of fanatics which have arisen within it. As for denying personal identify in a future state, I cannot find this taught ; and if any of your readers will take the trouble to refer to Spence Hardy's able work, they will, I think, find proof to the contrary. The meaning which the late Professor H. H. Wilson attached to Nirvâna, as may be seen in his dictionary, is, "Eternal happiness, emancipation from matter, and reunion with the deity ; refraining, leaving off, cessation ; union, blending, repose." Apologising for trespassing at so great a length, I am, Sir, yours, &c.,

Nov. 19. SHAKYA SINHA.

THE CURATIVE EFFECTS OF A RAILWAY COLLISION.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "TIMES."

SIR,—Allow me to confirm all that your two correspondents have related with respect to the alarming collision on the 17th inst. on the Midland line.

Nothing needs to be added either to their descriptions of the circumstance or to their just condemnation of the reckless negligence which brought us so near to death ; but the shock produced so curious an effect on myself—an effect, perhaps, unparalleled in the history of railway accidents—that you will, perhaps, excuse my troubling you with the details.

At my hotel in Manchester, on Tuesday night, I was seized with all the symptoms of a violent attack of rheumatic fever ; in fact, my condition so alarmed me, and my dread of a sojourn in a Manchester hotel bed for two or threemonths was so great, that I resolved to make a bold *sortie*, and, well wrapped up, start for London by the 3-30 p.m. Midland fast train from the London-road terminus. From the time of leaving that station to the time of the collision my heart was going at express speed ; my weak body was in a profuse perspiration ; flashes of pain announced that the muscular fibres were under the tyrannical control of rheumatism, and I was almost beside myself with toothache. Crash ! smash ! bump ! and bang ! and from side to side of the carriage I went like a billiard-ball under a hard cushion hit. The compartment was soon seen to be sprinkled with the blood of a hapless victim, whose face had come into crashing contact with his *vis-à-vis*, and whose nerves will, I fear, from what I subsequently observed of his condition, suffer for some time in consequence.

As soon as I thought it prudent I alighted and rendered what aid was considered necessary, and, although the condition of the atmosphere was such as, under other circumstances, would probably have produced the worst results on a frame shaken and debilitated by the strong fever lurking in my veins, it is remarkable that from the moment of the collision to this present hour no ache, pain, sweat or tremor has troubled me in the slightest degree, and, instead of being, as I expected, and, indeed, intended, in bed, drinking *tinct. aurantii* or absorbing through my pores oil of horse-chestnut, I am conscientiously bound to be at my office bodily sound, but mentally reminded that the unexpected cure by a trip by the Midland line is by no means guaranteed by my experience. By-the-by, Sir, don't print my name or address, or the Midland Railway Company may come down upon me for compensation.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,

London, Nov. 20. L. R.

O'DONOVAN ROSSA'S ELECTION.

THE following is the address issued by the friends of O'Donovan Rossa to the electors of Tipperary :—

"O'Donovan Rossa for Tipperary.

"Address of the friends of Amnesty to the electors of Tipperary.

"Men of Tipperary,—Gallantly and nobly have you espoused the cause of your suffering brethren. Well and truly do you interpret the feelings that swell to bursting the full heart of Ireland mourning for her cruelly tortured children. Most heartily do we approve of your choice. Unto death, and in sufferings far worse than the most dreadful death have those noble-hearted men proved their unselfish love of motherland. What tongue can tell what words describe the mental tortures that have unseated reason from her throne ? What the physical sufferings from which so many victims have found refuge in the grave ? 'Greater love than this no man hath, that a man lay down his life for his friend.' Even more than this have they laid down for their country. For we are assured by one who suffered that he would far rather meet death than endure for one three months what he suffered in prison ! What love then does not Ireland owe them in return ? Nor has she been unmindful of them, but, humbling herself in the dust, the petition of the nation for their release, containing 250,000 names, was laid at the feet of the Queen. Her humble petition was spurned with contempt. For months the nation mourned in silence. Again she aroused herself to another effort on behalf of her suffering sons ; and at the amnesty meetings the full heart of the country sent up to Heaven the cry of Ireland mourning for her children because they are not. And once again the prayer of Ireland meets only the heartless denial of the English Minister and the threats and scoffs of the English Press. And now, ere she folds her hands in solemn and dignified silence, leaving the cause of outraged humanity to God and the civilized world, Ireland, by the voice of noble, gallant Tipperary, places on record her protest against the treatment of political prisoners, and proclaims to the world that the English Ministers' cruel refusal to release them from their tortures has intensified the love for them, and that their names shall henceforth be enshrined in the hearts of their countrymen, and become the watchword and the rallying cry to which the nation shall be roused to action. Electors of Tipperary, nobly have you responded to the wishes of the nation. By inscribing on banner and shield 'Rossa for Tipperary' you proclaim to the world how dear to the heart of Ireland he and his companions in suffering have become. You stand before the world as their and Ireland's champion. To you they and Ireland commit a sacred cause —a sublime duty. It is for you, men of Tipperary, to rise equal to the distinguished part you are now about to play in the history of your country. The Tipperary election of 1869 shall be an epoch in Irish history, and shall be memorable to all future generations of Irishmen. In the name of God and of our suffering countrymen—in the name of humanity and of Ireland—we call upon you, men of Tipperary, to prove yourselves equal to the proud position the voice of Ireland assigns to you by electing O'Donovan Rossa as the most fitting person to represent you.

"God save Ireland !

"November 16, 1869."

The Marquis of Bute, although a Roman Catholic, is not debarred from the exercise of ecclesiastical patronage in Scotland, as he would be in England. Several churches to which he has the right of presentation have become vacant since his lordship attained his majority, and in every case he has left it with the parishioners, greatly to their delight, to choose their own minister.—*Pall Mall Gazette.*

THE CRACOW NUN.—The preliminary examination of the nuns of the Carmelite convent at Cracow has been concluded, but no decision has yet been arrived at by the authorities as to what further proceedings are to be taken in the matter. The local court has recommended that the nuns should be released, on the ground that as Barbara Ubryk was insane they had not committed any illegal act in keeping her in confinement. The government prosecutor, on the other hand, proposes that the nuns should be brought to public trial, in order that the affair may be thoroughly investigated Meanwhile, Barbara Ubryk has been placed in a lunatic asylum.—*Eastern Budget.*

TRAFFIC IN CHILDREN.

(*Daily News*, Nov. 27.)

IT may be feared that the practice of parents selling their children to wandering musicians, which certain continental Governments are now taking steps to check, may be introduced into this country. Yesterday the Board of Guardians in Wolverhampton had before them a case which it may be well hoped is without precedent here, notwithstanding that the business air which pervades the whole transaction would point to an opposite conclusion. Some days before, a girl of 8 years, who had learnt to play a mouth instrument, and was travelling with a musician, who is supposed to be a Swede, named France Wolff, appealed for protection to two gentlemen, residents of Wolverhampton, who were passing along the Bilston-road (a highway on the fringe of the town), just as she had been beaten by Wolff. The gentlemen at once took the child to the Union. There it transpired that her home was Exeter, that she was the daughter of a widow, who had been prevailed upon by Wolff to let him have the child at even as early an age as four years, since which time she had not seen her mother, nor had Wolff gone back to Exeter during any part of that time. They travelled from town to town, and Wolff had a house at Kate's-hill, Dudley, but he was seldom there. She alone was now travelling with him. At one time he had as many as four girls wandering with him. The clerk to the guardians communicated with Exeter, and yesterday a letter was read to the board, which the child's mother had written. The poor woman wrote by the name of Mary Harris, said that she was a widow and in service, and expressed herself as "truly thankful that she had heard of her child at last." She had placed the case in the hands of the Exeter police, but had not had any tidings for two years. At that time Wolff sent her a document to sign, "promising to give her £26 for the child but she refused till she knew if it was well treated." Wolff, however, neither took the child to her nor would he pay her railway fare to them, either of which she expressed her wish for him to do. She begged the guardians to allow her daughter to remain in the workhouse "till she could raise money enough to get her restored to her." In proof that Wolff had "no right to the child," she enclosed the document he had wished her to sign. Here it is :—"I, Mary Harris, (widow), do hereby agree to give my only daughter Mary Ann Harris to France Wolff, to take her as his own child, and to learn his profession, from January the 1st 1867, until January the 1st, 1877, after which time my child shall have her free will to stay or leave the said France Wolff ; and in case of no fresh agreement on both parties France Wolff will be compelled to give my daughter, Mary Ann Harris, necessary and respectable clothing, and £26 English money, which the said France Wolff will have to pay her for her own benefit. Witness—signed by my own hand—signed this first day of January, 1867. France Wolff, professor of music, singing, and dancing." It is easy to understand how destitute mothers may be imposed upon by such sham "agreements," and children thereby become hopeless outcasts. Of course, in this case, the child remains for a time in care of the Wolverhampton guardians.

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The following are examples of the total Bonus additions, made to the 31st December 1865, on Policies on which Twenty Annual Premiums had been paid.

Age at Entry.	Sum assured.	Bonus additions.
	£	£ s. d.
25	1000	231 1 0
35	1000	306 11 0
45	1000	336 2 0
55	1000	358 17 0

Assurances may also be effected without participation in profits, at reduced Rates of Premium.

The Premiums have been computed from the most recent information on the subject of European mortality in India, and they will be reduced to the corresponding English rates on the return to Europe of the persons whose lives are Assured.

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EXAMPLES OF THE EAST INDIAN RATES FOR CIVILIANS.

Annual Premiums to Assure Rs. 1,000.

Age next birth-day.	For the whole term of Life.				Age next birth day.	For the terms of one and seven years respectively.			
	With profits.		Without profits.			One year.		Seven years.	
	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.		Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.
20	38	11	4	34	10	4	35	29	13	4	30	4	8
30	40	0	0	36	8	0	40	30	0	0	31	13	4
40	45	14	0	44	0	0	45	34	12	0	38	3	4
50	64	11	4	67	11	4	50	89	10	8	43	13	4
60	92	0	0	82	12	8							

Age next birth-day.	CIVIL.				Age next birth-day.	MILITARY.			
	PREMIUM.					PREMIUM.			
	Annual.		Half-yearly.			Annual.		Half-yearly.	
	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a. p.		Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a. p.
20	30	7	4	15	3	8	20	34	0	8	17	0	4
30	35	10	0	17	13	4	30	39	14	0	19	15	0
40	44	12	0	22	6	0	40	47	15	4	23	15	8
50	59	8	0	29	12	0	50	61	14	0	30	15	0

TABLES OF RATES FOR ENDOWMENT ASSURANCE.

Annual Premium for the Assurance of Rs. 1,000 payable to the Representatives of the Assured in the event of Previous death, or to himself on his attaining either of the undermentioned ages :

Age next birth-day.	CIVIL.						MILITARY.					
	Payable at 50 or death.			Payable at 55 or death.			Payable at 60 or death.			Payable at 55 or death.		
	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.
20	38	9	0	34	0	4	31	8	0	29	13	4
25	45	8	0	39	0	0	34	8	0	32	8	0
30	57	0	0	45	8	0	40	0	0	39	0	0
35	77	8	0	58	0	0	48	0	0	45	0	0
40	116	0	0	78	0	0	59	0	0	55	0	0
45										81	8	0
50										119	0	0

Age next birth-day.	MILITARY.					
	Payable at 60 or death.			Payable at 65 or death.		
	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.
20	30	4	8	30	8	0
25	34	0	0	34	0	0
30	39	0	0	39	0	0
35	45	13	4	46	0	0
40	55	0	0	55	0	0
45	65	0	0	67	0	0
50	84	0	0	98	0	0

Premium for Short Terms and other Assurance will be furnished on application.

1. Policies once issued by this Society are absolutely indisputable except in case of fraud.

2. Policies in full force during days of grace allowed for payment of premium.

3. Policies which have been in force for 5 years are not liable to forfeiture on account of the temporary inability of the assured to pay the premium, as the Directors will advance the premium as often as the value of the Policy will admit, and allow the amount to remain as a debt against the Policy.

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